FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WINGER DENNIS L						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]								Relationship of the Relati	cable)	porting Person(s) to Issuer) 10% Owner		
(Last) 201 IND	st) (First) (Middle) 1 INDUSTRIAL ROAD				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2010									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s pelow)	pecify
(Street) SAN CARLOS CA 94070					. 4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	City) (State) (Zip)																	
		Tak	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	Disp	osed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transc Date (Month/E					ear) E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr.					Beneficia Owned F	es ally Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution E if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		of Securit		ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	y Own For Dire or I (I) (nership n: ect (D) ndirect nstr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				C	Code	v			Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option	\$11.97	01/15/2010			A		22,500		(1)	01	/15/2018	Common Stock	22,500	\$11.97	22,500		D	
Stock Option	\$11.97	01/15/2010			A		11,250		(2)	01	/15/2018	Common Stock	11,250	\$11.97	33,750		D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.01	01/15/2010			A		7,500		(3)		(5)	Common Stock	7,500	\$0.01	7,500		D	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$0.01	01/15/2010			A		3,750		(4)		(5)	Common Stock	3,750	\$0.01	11,250		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The shares subject to this stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of three (3) years commencing on December 8, 2009 (Mr. Winger's date of appointment to the Board of Directors) and ending on December 8, 2012.
- 2. The shares subject to this stock option vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of nine (9) months commencing on January 1, 2010 and ending on September 30, 2010.
- 3. The shares subject to this restricted stock unit vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of three (3) years commencing on December 8, 2009 and ending on December 8, 2012.
- 4. The shares subject to this restricted stock unit vest on a monthly pro-rata basis over a period of nine (9) months commencing on January 1, 2010 and ending on September 30, 2010.
- 5. Not applicable.

Gil M. Labrucherie - Attorneyin-Fact

01/19/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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