

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SANDERS CHARLES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Comon Stock	12/07/2006		M		3,000	A	\$ 13.23
Common Stock	12/07/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		3,000	D	\$ 43.97
Common Stock	12/08/2006		M		2,000	A	\$ 13.23
Common Stock	12/08/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		2,000	D	\$ 42.95

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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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 13.23	12/07/2006		M	3,000	12/12/1996 ⁽²⁾ 12/11/2006	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option	\$ 13.23	12/08/2006		M	2,000	12/12/1996 ⁽²⁾ 12/11/2006	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANDERS CHARLES A
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED
130 WAVERLY STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

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Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews,
Attorney-In-Fact

12/11/2006

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Sanders' company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

(2) Right to buy under 1994 Stock and Option Plan. Fully vested.

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