NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

CHESS ROBERT

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

[NKTR]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

10% Owner

150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

03/14/2005

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Executive Chairman

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SAN CARLOS, CA 94070

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

207,765

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Common Stock

03/14/2005

A 2,777 Α \$0

D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	tive Expiration Date Underlyi (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and of		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	1 3
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	03/14/2005		D	2,777	03/14/2005	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,777	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topolonia o Hinor Humo / Humoss	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHESS ROBERT 150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD SAN CARLOS, CA 94070	X		Executive Chairman				

Signatures

/s/ Paula S.
Kasler

**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) Not Applicable.

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