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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

 APFEL STUART CHARLES

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/03/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /DE/ [ELI]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O ELITE

PHARMACEUTICALS INC, 165 LUDLOW AVE

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other

(give title below) (specify below) Chief Medical Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

NORTHVALE, NJÂ 07647

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Form: Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Price of

Security

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

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

Amount or

5. Conversion Ownership Form of or Exercise

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable **Expiration Title** Date

Number of

Derivative Security: Direct (D)

Derivative

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				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option	01/03/2008	(1)	Common Stock	120,000	\$ 1.75	D	Â
Option	(2)	(1)	Common	280,000	\$ 1.75	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
APFEL STUART CHARLES C/O ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC 165 LUDLOW AVE NORTHVALE. NJ 07647	Â	Â	Chief Medical Officer	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Stuart Apfel 01/03/2008

**Signature of Person

Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) January 3, 2018 or (ii) a date 90 days following the date of the termination of the Reporting Person's employment by the Company or a subsidiary or after cessation of the Reporting Person's relationship with the Company or an affiliate thereof.
 - 80,000 shares upon the successful completion, as determined by the Board of Directors, of a Company sponsored Phase III clinical trial of the Company's developmental drug product referred to as ELI-216; 80,000 shares upon the successful completion, as determined by the Board of Directors, of a Company sponsored Phase III clinical trial of the Company's developmental drug product referred to as ELI-154;
- (2) 80,000 shares upon the successful completion, as determined by the Board of Directors, by the Company during the term of the Employment Agreement, dated as of January 3, 2008, between the Reporting Person and the Company, of a Company sponsored long-term safety study for the Company's developmental drug product referred to as ELI-216; and 40,000 shares upon the closing of an exclusive product license for the United States national market, or product sale transaction of all of the Company's ownership rights, for either ELI-216 or ELI-154.

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