

Alkermes plc.
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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 *
POPS RICHARD F

(Last) (First) (Middle)
CONNAUGHT HOUSE, 1
BURLINGTON ROAD
(Street)

DUBLIN 4 IRELAND

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Alkermes plc. [ALKS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/24/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Director and CEO, Alkermes plc

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	Price	
Ordinary Shares	09/24/2012		M ⁽¹⁾		100,000	A \$ 7.36	448,173 D
Ordinary Shares	09/24/2012		S ⁽²⁾		100,000	D \$ 20.725	348,173 D
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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)

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount of Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.36	09/24/2012		M ⁽¹⁾	100,000	⁽⁴⁾ 12/12/2012	Ordinary Shares 100,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POPS RICHARD F CONNAUGHT HOUSE 1 BURLINGTON ROAD DUBLIN 4 IRELAND	X		Director and CEO, Alkermes plc	

Signatures

/s/ Shantale Harb, attorney-in-fact for Richard F. Pops
Date: 09/24/2012

__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) This option exercise was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (2) This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$20.37 to \$20.96. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- (4) These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.

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