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(Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Silva Paul M Issuer Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS (Check all applicable) INC / MA [VRTX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O VERTEX 07/19/2017 SVP & Corp Controller **PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BOSTON, MA 02210 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) I) Instr. 4)

		(Month/Day/Year)	Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or (I) (Iı
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	6,445	A	\$ 77.31	26,516	D
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	4,500	A	\$ 48.74	31,016	D
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	8,438	A	\$ 45.11	39,454	D
Common Stock	07/19/2017		M	3,437	A	\$ 83.36	42,891	D

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Common Stock	07/19/2017	M	3,437	A	\$ 96.87	46,328	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2017	M	3,867	A	\$ 109.14	50,195	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2017	M	6,445	A	\$ 91.05	56,640	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2017	M	3,437	A	\$ 90.29	60,077	D	
Common Stock	07/19/2017	S(1)	40,006	D	\$ 161	20,071	D	
Common Stock	07/21/2017	S(1)	2,937	D	\$ 161.91	17,134	D	
Common Stock	07/21/2017	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 161.92	16,634	D	
Common Stock						169	I	401k

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		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 or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 77.31	07/19/2017		M	6,	,445	(2)	02/04/2024	Common Stock	6,445
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 48.74	07/19/2017		M	4,	,500	(3)	07/24/2022	Common Stock	4,500

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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.11	07/19/2017	M	8,438	(3)	02/04/2023	Common Stock	8,438
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 83.36	07/19/2017	M	3,437	<u>(4)</u>	07/29/2023	Common Stock	3,437
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 96.87	07/19/2017	M	3,437	<u>(5)</u>	07/14/2024	Common Stock	3,437
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 109.14	07/19/2017	M	3,867	<u>(6)</u>	02/02/2025	Common Stock	3,867
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 91.05	07/19/2017	M	6,445	<u>(7)</u>	02/01/2026	Common Stock	6,445
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 90.29	07/19/2017	M	3,437	<u>(8)</u>	07/11/2026	Common Stock	3,437

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Silva Paul M C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210

SVP & Corp Controller

Signatures

/s/ Omar White, Attorney-in-Fact

**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 Mr. Silva's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/5/2014.
- (3) Fully vested.

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- (4) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/30/2013.
- (5) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/15/2014.
- (6) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/3/2015.
- (7) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 2/2/2016.
- (8) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/12/2016.

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