

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(b) On January 23, 2019, Ian Smith was terminated from his positions as our executive vice president and chief operating officer and interim chief financial officer. Mr. Smith's termination is the result of personal behavior found by us and our board of directors to violate Vertex's Code of Conduct and values and is unrelated to our financial and business performance.

(c) Paul Silva, age 52, our senior vice president and corporate controller, was appointed our interim chief financial officer on January 23, 2019. Additional biographical information regarding Mr. Silva can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED
(Registrant)

Date: January 23, 2019 /s/ Michael Parini
Michael Parini
Executive Vice President and Chief Legal and Administrative Officer