

POWER JOHANNA MESSINA
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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 *
POWER JOHANNA MESSINA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS
INC / MA [VRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/15/2007

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
VP & Controller

C/O VERTEX
PHARMACEUTICALS
INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY
STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	10/15/2007		M	V	\$ 125 13.11	6,689	D
Common Stock	10/15/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	D	\$ 125 36.05	6,564	D
Common Stock						2,602	I 401(k)

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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
							Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
					Code	V	(A)	(D)		
Stock Option	\$ 13.11	10/15/2007		M	125	(2) 12/01/2009	Common Stock	125	\$	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

POWER JOHANNA MESSINA
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED
130 WAVERLY STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

VP & Controller

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews,
Attorney-In-Fact

10/16/2007

__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 Ms. Messina-Power's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

(2) Fully vested.

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