YOUNG KEVIN Form 4 January 23, 2009

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(City)

(Instr. 3)

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may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * YOUNG KEVIN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

EVP, Commercial Operations

Issuer

below)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

01/21/2009

Director

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 47.2	01/21/2009		A		92,400		<u>(1)</u>	01/21/2019	Common Stock	92,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

YOUNG KEVIN GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

EVP, Commercial Operations

Signatures

/s/ Kristen M. Metza by Power of Attorney for Kevin Young 01/23/2009

**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) The options have a five year vesting schedule. 20% of the options will vest on January 21, 2010 the first anniversary date of the grant. The balance will vest 5% every three months thereafter until fully vested on January 21, 2014.

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