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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

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C/O VERTEX

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SATO VICKI L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]

(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

below) 11/03/2004 President

PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY **STREET**

(State)

(First)

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(CII,	y) (State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Commo Stock	on 11/03/2004		M	7,000	A	\$ 9.5	115,108	D	
Commo Stock	on 11/03/2004		S <u>(1)</u>	7,000	D	\$ 11.36	108,108	D	
Commo	on						7,125	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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 or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 9.5	11/03/2004		M	7,000	03/14/1996(2)	12/13/2005	Common Stock	7,000

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

SATO VICKI L C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

President

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews, 11/04/2004 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 Dr. Sato's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Right to buy under 1994 Stock and Option Plan, vesting quarterly over 5 years from 12/14/1995.

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