

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA

Form 4

December 16, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MUELLER PETER

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VERTEX
PHARMACEUTICALS
INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY
STREET

(Street)

CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
EVP Drug Innov.& Realiz, CSO

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

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)
Common Stock	12/15/2008		M	2,400 A \$ 9.07	88,790	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2008		S ⁽¹⁾	2,400 D \$ 25.81	86,390	D	
Common Stock					3,460	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. 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	\$ 9.07	12/15/2008		M	2,400	<u>(2)</u>	12/10/2013	Common Stock	2,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

EVP Drug Innov.& Realiz,
CSO

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews,
Attorney-In-Fact

12/16/2008

**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. Mueller's company approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.

(2) Fully vested.

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