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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Thomsen Jillian B.

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/21/2008

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS [NKTR]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O NEKTAR

THERAPEUTICS, 201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD

(Street)

(Check all applicable) 10% Owner Director

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) VP & Chief Accounting Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN CARLOS. CAÂ 94070

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Â Common Stock 1,238 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. 5. Ownership Conversion or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option	(1)	03/15/2014	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 19.29	D	Â
Restricted Stock Unit	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,667	\$ 0.01 (3)	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	(4)	03/16/2015	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 11.38	D	Â
Employee Stock Option	(5)	03/20/2016	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 6.65	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Thomsen Jillian B.						
C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS	â	â	VP & Chief Accounting Officer	â		
201 INDUSTRIAL ROAD	A	А	A VP & Chief Accounting Officer	A		
SAN CARLOS, CA 94070						

Signatures

Gil M. Labrucherie, Attorney-in-Fact 05/01/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person D

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) 20% of the shares vested on the one year anniversary of the grant date (or March 15, 2007), and the remainder of the shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly basis during the following four years thereafter.
- (2) The shares of common stock subject to this Restricted Stock Unit vest on a pro-rata basis over a period of three years from the date of grant of March 16, 2007.
- (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the common stock of Nektar Therapeutics.
- (4) The shares subject to this stock option vest on a monthly basis over a period of four years from the March 16, 2007 grant date.
- (5) 25% of the shares will vest on the one year anniversary of the grant date (or March 15, 2009), and the remainder of the shares subject to the stock option vest on a monthly basis during the following three years thereafter.

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