

Alton Gregg H
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FORM 4

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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 *
Alton Gregg H

(Last) (First) (Middle)
GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333
LAKESIDE DRIVE
(Street)

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/11/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP Comm&Acs ALA, Corp&Med Aff

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	01/11/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 24.905	7,501	57,114 D
Common Stock	01/11/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 40.56	18,374	75,488 D
Common Stock	01/11/2018		S	D	\$ 79	7,501	67,987 D
Common Stock	01/11/2018		S	D	\$ 79	18,374	49,613 D
Common Stock	01/11/2018		S	D	\$ 79	4,125	45,488 D

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.905	01/11/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	7,501	⁽²⁾ 07/29/2019	Common Stock	7,501
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.56	01/11/2018		M ⁽¹⁾	18,374	⁽³⁾ 02/01/2023	Common Stock	18,374

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Alton Gregg H GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404				EVP Comm&Acs ALA, Corp&Med Aff

Signatures

/s/ Marissa Song by Power of Attorney for Gregg H.
Alton

01/16/2018

____ 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 exercise and sale transactions reported in this Form 4 are made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.

(2) The options have a five year vesting schedule. 20% vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The balance will vest 5% quarterly thereafter until fully vested.

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- (3) The options have a four year vesting schedule. 25% of the options will vest on the first anniversary date of the grant. The balance will vest 6.25% quarterly thereafter until fully vested.

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