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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 *
Trellus Management Company, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /DE/ [ELTP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR,
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/03/2009

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
__X__ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
__X__ 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/03/2009 | | S | 45,000 (1) D \$ 0.125 | 24,731,777 (2) | I | See footnote (3) (4) |
| Common Stock | 12/04/2009 | | S | 45,000 (5) D \$ 0.11 | 24,686,777 (6) | I | See footnote (3) (4) |

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Trellus Management Company, LLC 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | X | | |
| TRELLUS PARTNERS LP 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | X | | |
| Trellus Offshore Fund Ltd 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | X | | |
| Usdan Adam C/O TRELLUS MANAGEMENT COMPANY, LLC 350 MADISON AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017 | | X | | |

Signatures

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| /s/ Anthony G. Miller, Chief Financial Officer of Trellus Management Company, LLC | 12/07/2009 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| /s/ Anthony G. Miller, Chief Financial Officer of Trellus Partners, L.P. | 12/07/2009 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| /s/ Adam Usdan, Director of Trellus Offshore Fund Limited | 12/07/2009 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

/s/ Adam Usdan

12/07/2009

__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) On December 3, 2009, Trellus Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("TPLP") sold 30,000 shares of Common Stock short against the box and Trellus Offshore Fund Limited, a Cayman Islands limited liability company ("TOF") sold 15,000 shares of Common Stock short against the box.

(2) On December 3, 2009, following the reported transaction, TPLP owned 13,327,179 shares of Common Stock and held warrants to acquire 3,291,426 shares of Common Stock and TOF owned 6,534,432 shares of Common Stock and held warrants to acquire 1,377,758 shares of Common Stock. Trellus Management Company, LLC ("Trellus") and Mr. Usdan each beneficially owned the Common Stock and warrants owned by TPLP and TOF and in addition held indirect beneficial ownership of an additional 167,103 shares of Common Stock and additional warrants to acquire 33,879 shares of Common Stock.

(3) Trellus is the investment adviser to TPLP and TOF. Adam Usdan is the controlling principal and chief investment officer of Trellus. By reason of their investment discretion, Trellus and Mr. Usdan are reported herein as indirect beneficial owners of the securities held, acquired, and sold short against the box by TPLP and TOF (as described in footnotes (5) and (6)).

(4) Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

(5) On December 4, 2009, TPLP sold 30,000 shares of Common Stock short against the box and TOF sold 15,000 shares of Common Stock short against the box.

(6) On December 4, 2009, following the reported transaction, TPLP owned 13,297,179 shares of Common Stock and held warrants to acquire 3,291,426 shares of Common Stock and TOF owned 6,519,432 shares of Common Stock and held warrants to acquire 1,377,758 shares of Common Stock. Trellus and Mr. Usdan each beneficially owned the Common Stock and warrants owned by TPLP and TOF and in addition held indirect beneficial ownership of an additional 167,103 shares of Common Stock and additional warrants to acquire 33,879 shares of Common Stock.

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