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obligation may cont <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	ns Section 17(pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940								
(Print or Type F	Responses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Hartmann Victor A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) C/O VERTE PHARMAC INCORPOR STREET	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/20/2006				Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP, Strategic & Corp. Devlp.				
CAMBRID				endment, Date Original onth/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			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)				G	Person	6 D 6 '		
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	14		Code Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial	
		(Month/D	ay/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or (D) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Reminder: Rep	ort on a separate line	e for each cl	ass of sec	urities bene	ficially ow	ned 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)

number.

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)	TransactionDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 35.35	07/20/2006		А	36,250	10/20/2006 <u>(1)</u>	07/19/2016	Common Stock	36,250
Reporting Owners									

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
1.5		Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hartmann Victor A C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139				EVP, Strategic & Corp. Devlp.			
Signatures							
Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-In-Fact	07/24/2006						

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Right to buy under 2006 Stock and Option Plan, vesting in 16 equal quarterly installments from 07/20/2006.

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