Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Petersen Floyd F.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

[AMPH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/20/2015

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570 6TH STREET

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/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

Table I. Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Paneficially Ov

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(City)

(,)	(~)	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Transactior Disposing Code (Instr. 3,				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)
Common Stock	11/20/2015		M		(D)	\$ 11.68	88,760	D	
Common Stock	11/20/2015		S	31,529	D	\$ 14.2888 (1)	57,231	D	

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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. 5. Number of Transactio Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)		{ } { } (
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.68	11/20/2015		M		38,462	(2)	12/18/2015	Common Stock	38,462	

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Petersen Floyd F.

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

Signatures

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of attorney 11/24/2015

**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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.27 (1) to \$14.38, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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(2) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

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