Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Zhang Jack Y.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[AMPH]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2015

_X__ Director X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

CEO & Chief Science Officer

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

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Person

| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit for Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (| ` ′ | 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 | 12/04/2015 | | S(1) | 28,712 | ` / | \$ 14.952 (2) | 7,564,299 | I | See footnote (3) |
| Common Stock | 12/07/2015 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 15,046 | D | \$ 14.5879 (4) | 7,549,253 | I | See footnote (3) |
| Common Stock | 12/08/2015 | | S <u>(1)</u> | 24,359 | D | \$ 14.4964 (5) | 7,524,894 | I | See footnote (3) |

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| Common Stock | 920,117 | D | |
|-----------------|---------|---|------------------|
| Common Stock | 670,147 | I | See footnote (6) |
| Common Stock | 5,000 | I | See footnote (7) |
| Common Stock | 200,000 | I | See footnote (8) |

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)

| Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Tit | le and | 8. Price of |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transac | ctionNum | ber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | unt of | Derivative |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Unde | rlying | Security |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8 | B) Deriv | vative | • | | Secur | rities | (Instr. 5) |
| | Derivative | | | | Secu | rities | | | (Instr | . 3 and 4) | |
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| | | | | Code | V (A) | (D) | | | | Shares | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | rirector 10% Owner Officer | | Other | | | | |
| Zhang Jack Y. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 | X | X | CEO & Chief Science Officer | | | | | |
| Luo Mary Z. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET | X | X | COO & Chief Scientist | | | | | |

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Signatures

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of attorney for Jack Y.
Zhang
12/08/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of attorney for Mary Z.
Luo
12/08/2015

**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).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by Applied Physics & Chemistry Laboratories, Inc., or APCL, on September 4, 2015.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.835 to \$15.36, inclusive. The reporting persons 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 within the ranges set forth in footnotes (2), (4) and (5) to this Form 4.
- (3) The shares are held of record by APCL, of which the reporting persons are the sole owners.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.38 to \$14.94, inclusive.
- (5) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.34 to \$14.64, inclusive.
- (6) The securities are held of record by Mary Z. Luo. The reporting persons are husband and wife.
- The shares are held of record in an account for the benefit of the reporting persons' son. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.
- The shares are held of record by a trust for the benefit of the reporting persons' son. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership (8) of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.

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