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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Thomsen Jillian B.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

[NKTR]

(Check all applicable)

SVP & Chief Accounting Officer

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2018

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS, 455 MISSION

BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Director

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

02/16/2018

\$ S D 82.94 (2)

68,857 ⁽³⁾

D

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Officer Director

10% Owner

Thomsen Jillian B. C/O NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS 455 MISSION BAY BOULEVARD SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94158

SVP & Chief Accounting Officer

Other

Signatures

Mark A. Wilson. 02/20/2018 Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- Represents the number of shares required to be sold by the reporting person to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the RSUs held by the reporting person. This sale is mandated by the Issuer's election under its equity incentive plans to require the satisfaction of tax withholding obligations to be funded by a "sell to cover" transaction and does not represent a discretionary trade by the reporting person.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$81.57 to \$84.00. The price reported above reflects the weighted (2) average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transactions were effected upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.
- This number includes 988 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's 401(K) plan and 3,703 shares held by the reporting person in the Issuer's ESPP plan. The acquisition of these shares under both plans is exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

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