ALPHARMA INC Form 4 January 30, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Spellman Thomas J III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ALPHARMA INC [ALO]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

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

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

440 ROUTE 22 EAST

01/28/2008

below) EVP, CLO & Corporate Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

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

(9-02)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock A

(City)

01/28/2008

A 480 (1) A

\$0 32,869 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)

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

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Spellman Thomas J III 440 ROUTE 22 EAST BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

EVP, CLO & Corporate Secretary

Signatures

By: Marie Amerasinghe For: Thomas
Spellman III
01/30/2008

**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).

Restricted Stock Units granted in connection with the amendment of a performance based restricted stock units agreement to set a fixed amount of shares to be awarded upon vesting. The restricted stock units vest on July 16, 2010, provided that each individual is employed by the Company on such date. The vesting schedule is subject to the forfeiture and acceleration provisions in the Award Agreement.

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