NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BANSAL AJAY**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

[NKTR]

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below)

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Officer (give title below)

10% Owner X_ Other (specify

150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD

03/08/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

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Applicable Line)

Director

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

SAN CARLOS, CA 94070

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

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

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

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

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

03/08/2006

A 8,333

10,333 0.01

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 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities 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)		E 8. I Der Sec (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0.01	03/08/2006		D	8,333	03/08/2006	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	8,333	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BANSAL AJAY 150 INDUSTRIAL ROAD SAN CARLOS, CA 94070

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Signatures

/s/ Paula S. Kasler, by power of attorney

03/09/2006

**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) Not Applicable.

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