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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> SCHAFF			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	³ 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KING PHARMACEUTICALS INC [KG]				
(Last) C/O KING	(First)	(Middle)	02/08/2010	Person(s) to I		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 501 FIFTH STREET (Street) BRISTOL, TN 37620				X_ Directo	r 10% O r 10% O Other w) (specify below	6. Individual or Joint/Group		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - I	Non-Derivat	tive Securitie	Reporting Person s Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

Shares

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Nam	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Signatures							
/s/ Derace L. Schaffer	02/10/2010						
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date						
Explanation of Responses:							

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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