

PORTOLA PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Curnutte John T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PORTOLA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 270 EAST GRAND AVE.

(Street)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PORTOLA PHARMACEUTICALS INC [PTLA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/27/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) Executive Vice President
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/27/2016		A	10,000 (1)	A \$ 0 10,000	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 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. Transaction 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.49	01/27/2016		A	40,000	⁽²⁾ 01/27/2026	Common Stock	40,000
Performance Stock Unit	⁽³⁾	01/27/2016		A	10,000	⁽³⁾ 01/27/2020	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Curnutte John T C/O PORTOLA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 270 EAST GRAND AVE. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ Mike Ouimette, as
attorney-in-fact

01/27/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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Grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSU") in consideration of services rendered. The RSU vests annually over three years commencing on (1) March 1, 2016, subject to Reporting Person's Continuous Service (as defined in the Issuer's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan) as of each such date.

(2) The option shares shall vest as follows: 1/48th of the shares subject to the option shall vest each month after January 1, 2016, subject to the Reporting Person's Continuous Service as of each such date.

Each Performance Stock Unit ("PSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's Common Stock. The PSUs vest as (3) follow: 50% of the PSUs will become vested upon achievement of the Issuer's gross product sales target for Andexanet alfa, and up to 50% of the remaining PSUs may vest subject to the timing of approval of Betrixaban by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

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