

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>POPS RICHARD F</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>CONNAUGHT HOUSE</u><br><u>1 BURLINGTON ROAD</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>DUBLIN 4</u><br><u>IRELAND</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>Alkermes plc. [ ALKS ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>Director and CEO, Alkermes plc</u> |
|   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>05/10/2017</u>        |   |
|   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                     |   |
|   |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|--------------------------|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price                    |   |  |   |
| Ordinary Shares                 | 05/10/2017                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 25,000  | A          | \$15.95                  | 655,406   | D  |   |
| Ordinary Shares                 | 05/10/2017                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 17,159  | D          | \$57.118 <sup>(3)</sup>  | 638,247   | D  |   |
| Ordinary Shares                 | 05/10/2017                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 7,841   | D          | \$57.6656 <sup>(4)</sup> | 630,406   | D  |   |

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |       |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)  | (D)    | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  | Title |
| Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)  | \$15.95  | 05/10/2017                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   |  | 25,000 | (5)  | 06/01/2017      | Ordinary Shares   | 25,000                                     | \$0  | 68,731  | D  |       |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- This option exercise was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$56.56 to \$57.555. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$57.57 to \$57.81. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-fact for Richard F. Pops 05/11/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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