Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Pugh Gordon G | | | | | | Alkermes plc. [ALKS] | | | | | | | | heck a | all applic Directo | able) r | g Pers | 10% Ow | ner |
|--|---|--|--------|---------------------------------|--|---|-----|---|-------------------------------|--|---|-----------------|---|---|--|------------|--|---|------------|
| (Last) 852 WIN | Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2012 | | | | | | | | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, COO & CRO, Alkermes, Inc. | | | | | |
| (Street) WALTHAM MA 02451 | | | | _ 4. _ | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Deriv 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/ | | | | tion | on 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | | 5. Amou Securiti Benefici Owned | | unt of 6. Fo ially (D) Following (I) | | n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | Reported Transact (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 01/ | | | | 01/24/2 | 2012 |)12 | | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 15,000 | A | \$8.55 | 5 | 41,002 | | | D | |
| Common | Stock | | | 01/24/2 | 2012 | | | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 15,000 | D | \$17.652 | 2(3) | <u> </u> | | | D | |
| | | - | Table | | | | | | | | posed of, , converti | | | y Ow | ned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any | emed ion Date, /Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | | Expira | e Exerc ation D :h/Day/ | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Der Sec | Price of rivative curity str. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | ly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership et (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exerc | isable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to | \$8.55 | 01/24/2012 | | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | | 15,000 | (4 | 4) | 05/26/2019 | Commor Stock | 15,000 | | \$0 | 35,000 |) | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This option exercise was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- 2. This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- 3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$17.56 to \$17.75. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price can be furnished to the SEC staff upon request.
- $4.\ 2,\!500\ currently\ vested,\ remainder\ vests\ in\ 2\ equal\ annual\ installments\ beginning\ on\ 5/26/12.$

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-01/25/2012 in-fact for Gordon G. Pugh

** 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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