

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | |
| <u>Alton Gregg H</u> | | | <u>GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]</u> | | Director 10% Owner | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | |
| <u>GILEAD SCIENCES, INC.</u> | | | <u>10/02/2006</u> | | <u>SVP, General Counsel</u> | |
| <u>333 LAKESIDE DRIVE</u> | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | |
| (Street) | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person | |
| <u>FOSTER CITY CA 94404</u> | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | |

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 | | | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | M ⁽²⁾ | | 3,550 | A | \$13.6025 | 27,945 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 300 | D | \$65.25 | 27,645 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 200 | D | \$65.17 | 27,445 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 100 | D | \$65.16 | 27,345 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 100 | D | \$65.15 | 27,245 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 100 | D | \$65.14 | 27,145 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 600 | D | \$65 | 26,545 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 1,000 | D | \$64.9 | 25,545 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 300 | D | \$64.5 | 25,245 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/02/2006 | | S ⁽²⁾ | | 850 | D | \$64.35 | 24,395 | 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------|---|--|--|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$13.6025 | 10/02/2006 | | M | | 3,550 | (1) | 07/18/2011 | Common Stock | 3,550 | \$0 | 59,862 | D |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The options vested 20% on July 19, 2002, the first anniversary date of the grant. The balance vested 5% every three months thereafter and was fully vested as of July 19, 2006.
2. The transactions reported in this Form 4 are made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan established by Mr. Alton on August 4, 2006.

/s/ Gregg H. Alton

10/03/2006

** 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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