

HARKNESS TIMOTHY

Form 4

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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 *
HARKNESS TIMOTHY

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
NEKTAR THERAPEUTICS
[NKTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
201 INDUSTRIAL RD.
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/23/2007

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP & Chief Financial Officer

SAN CARLOS, CA 94070

4. If Amendment, Date 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) (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	(D)	Price

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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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares	
			Code	V	(A)	(D)				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.34	08/23/2007	A		200,000 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	08/23/2015	Common Stock	200,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARKNESS TIMOTHY 201 INDUSTRIAL RD. SAN CARLOS, CA 94070			SVP & Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

Gil M. Labrucherie -
Attorney-in-Fact

08/24/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The shares being reported were previously disclosed by the Reporting Person in a Form 3 filed on August 24, 2007. The Reporting Person is filing this Form 4 pursuant to Rule 16a 3(g)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) 25% of the shares subject to this employee stock option become exercisable on August 23, 2008, and the remaining shares subejct to the option shall vest monthly thereafter so that all of the shares subject to the option shall be fully vested on August 23, 2011.

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