FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Sinha Vikas                            |  |        |  |                   |                                      | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC ALXN ] |  |  |  |                                      |         |   |        |  |  | all app<br>Direct     | olicable)<br>etor<br>er (give title   | Othe  | Owner<br>r (specify                                 |  |
|--|--|--------|--|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--------------------------------------|---------|---|--------|--|--|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACUETICALS, INC. 352 KNOTTER DRIVE      |  |        |  |                   |                                      | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/16/2009                    |  |  |  |                                      |         |   |        |  | SVP & CFO  |                       |   |   |   |  |
| (Street) CHESHIRE CT 06410  (City) (State) (Zip)                                 |  |        |  |                   | 4. If                                |  |  |  |  |                                      |         |   |        |  | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     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. Transac Date (Month/Date)                    |  |        |  |                   |                                      | Execution ay/Year) if any  |  | Deemed<br>ecution Date,<br>any<br>onth/Day/Year) |  | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) |         | ties Acquired (A)<br>I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4  |        |  | 4 and Sec<br>Ben<br>Owi  |                       | cially<br>I Following   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |
|  |  |        |  |                   |                                      |  |  |  | v  | Amount                               |         | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price  |  |  | action(s)<br>3 and 4) |   | (Instr. 4)  |   |  |
| Common   | Stock, par v   | 5/2009 |  |                   |                                      | S  |  | 397(1)   |  | D                                    | \$38.90 |   | 61,540 |  | D  |                       |   |   |   |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |        |  |                   |                                      |  |  |  |  |                                      |         |   |        |  |  |                       |   |   |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | vative Conversion Date Execution Date irity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any  |        |  | Date,<br>ay/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr. 8) |  |  | ative<br>rities<br>ired<br>osed<br>. 3, 4        | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Exercisable Date |                                      |         | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares |        |  | nt<br>er   |                       | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4  | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)               |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These sales were made to cover the withholding taxes immediately following the vesting of previously granted Restricted Stock

/s/ Vikas Sinha

07/17/2009

\*\* 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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