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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 Addr LINK MAX	1 0	Person [*]	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC</u> [ALXN]		tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last) C/O ALEXION	(First) J PHARMACE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/24/2012	-	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
352 KNOTTER DRIVE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	ridual or Joint/Group Filir	ng (Check Applicable
(Street) CHESHIRE	СТ	06410	_	Line) X	Form filed by One Re Form filed by More the Person	porting 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)	3.4.TransactionDiCode (Instr.5)8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Common stock, par value \$.0001 per share	08/24/2012		М		40,000	A	\$10.84	129,781	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	08/24/2012		М		40,000	Α	\$18.01	169,781	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. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	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	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$10.84	08/24/2012		М			40,000	08/03/2007	05/03/2017	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	40,000	\$0	0	D	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$18.01	08/24/2012		М			40,000	08/09/2008	05/09/2018	Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share	40,000	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Max Link

08/28/2012

** 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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