FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	S 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 Direct	blicable) ctor er (give title	Othe	Owner (specify		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACUETICALS, INC. 352 KNOTTER DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2011									below) below) SVP & CFO					
(Street) CHESHIRE CT 06410  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								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 Date,		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and Secur Benef		cially d Following	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	•	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111341. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 01/10				)/2011				S		532(1)		D	\$81.27		7 76,749		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)  3. Transaction Date (if any (Month/Day/Year)			Date,		ransaction ode (Instr. )  5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		ıstr. 3			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

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

/s/ Vikas Sinha

01/12/2011

\*\* 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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