FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHA	NGES IN	BENEFICIA	L OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SQUINTO STEPHEN P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC ALXN]										all app	licable)	Oth	o Owner er (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACEUTICALS INC 352 KNOTTER DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2009											VP & Hea	belo	ch
(Street) CHESHI (City)			06410 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								. Indivi ine) X	′				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)			and 5) Secu Bene		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect					
					Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(11311. 4)					
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 01/16/2					2009	009 s 1,348 ⁽¹⁾ D \$			\$36.8	5.81 ⁽²⁾ 25,590 D									
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Conversion Date		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	on Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		nstr. 3	t		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These sales were made to cover withholding taxes immediately following the vesting of previously granted Restricted Stock.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$36.80 \$36.82. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales prices. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.

Stephen Squinto

01/16/2009

** 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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