FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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]								5. Relationship of Repor (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give titl below)			10% Owner		vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ALEXION PHARMACUETICALS, INC. 352 KNOTTER DRIVE					07	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2012									SVP & CFO					
(Street) CHESHIRE CT 06410 (City) (State) (Zip)					_ 4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trai					. Transaction pate Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date,			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		(A) or		5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transact (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)					
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/2									M		30,000	A	\$11	1.92	345	5,388		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share					07/27/2012				S		12,109	D	\$108	.08.39(1)		3,279		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share					07/27/2012				S		17,891	D	\$109	\$109.37(2)		315,388		D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/27/					2012				S		868 ⁽³⁾	D	\$106.14		314,520			D		
Common Stock, par value \$.0001 per share 07/31/20					2012)12			S		900(3)	D	\$104.94		313,620			D		
		-	Table II								posed of, converti				wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I	med on Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		cisable and	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		unt 8 D Scrity (I	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Inst	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber						
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$11.92	07/27/2012			M			30,000	11/11/2	2007	07/11/2017	Common Stock, par value \$.0001	30,0	000	\$0	37,49	6	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$108.00 \$108.99. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales price. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades through a broker-dealer at prices ranging from \$109.00 \$109.99. The price reported in this column reflects the weighted average sales price. Upon request, the reporting person will provide to the SEC staff full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price.
- 3. These sales were made to cover the withholding taxes immediately following the vesting of previously granted Restricted Stock.

07/31/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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