#### KING PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4

February 28, 2007

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **BRUCE ERIC J** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

KING PHARMACEUTICALS INC

[KG]

(Check all applicable)

Symbol

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Officer (give title below)

Director

Other (specify below)

10% Owner

501 FIFTH STREET

02/26/2007

Chief Tech Ops Ofcr

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(Instr. 4)

Person

BRISTOL, TN 37620

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Securities Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ed of					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Long-Term Performance Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/26/2007(2)		A		21,060		(3)	12/31/2008	Common Stock	21,06

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRUCE ERIC J 501 FIFTH STREET BRISTOL, TN 37620

Chief Tech Ops Ofcr

# **Signatures**

/s/ Eric J. Bruce 02/28/2007

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Each Long-Term Peformance Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. common stock.
- The number of Long-Term Performance Units depended on the achievement by King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. of certain 2006 financial objectives. The reporting person received notice on February 26, 2007 of the total number of Long-Term Performance Units awarded.
- (3) The Long-Term Performance Units vest in full on December 31, 2008.

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