

Elrod James W
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Elrod James W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KING PHARMACEUTICALS INC
 [KG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Legal Officer, Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O KING PHARMACEUTICALS,
 INC., 501 FIFTH STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2008

BRISTOL, TN 37620

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
 01/21/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code V	Amount		
Common Stock	12/31/2008		M	12,600	A	\$ 0	156,500 D
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	01/16/2009		A	2,285	A	\$ 0	158,785 D

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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Long-Term Performance Unit	(2)	12/31/2008		M	12,600	(2) 12/31/2008	Common Stock 12,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Elrod James W C/O KING PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 501 FIFTH STREET BRISTOL, TN 37620			Chief Legal Officer, Secretary	

Signatures

/s/ James W. Elrod 01/22/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Represents shares of common stock earned in connection with Long-Term Performance Units that provided for a contingent right to receive shares of King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. common stock based upon the Company's total shareholder return, relative to the Dow Jones Pharmaceutical Index, for the period January 1, 2006 through December 31, 2008.
- (2) Each Long-Term Performance Unit represented a contingent right to receive a share of King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. common stock if the reporting person remained employed by King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. during the two-year vesting period that ended on December 31, 2008.

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