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December 21, 2005

FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION								OMB AF	PROVAL 3235-0287			
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Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940												
(Print or Type Responses)												
			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
		INC / MA [VRTX]					(Check all applicable)					
(Last)	,	(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) below)					
	EX CEUTICALS RATED, 130 WA	AVERLY	12/21/20	005					√P Drug Disco	very		
				ndment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						Person				
	` '						_	uired, Disposed of,				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	12/21/2005			Code V S(1)	Amount 1,496		Price \$ 27.84	(Instr. 3 and 4) 74,554	D			
Common								3.220	Ţ	401(k)		

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)

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				C 1 W	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MUELLER PETER C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

CSO & SVP Drug Discovery

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-In-Fact

12/21/2005

**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) Transaction made pursuant to Dr. Mueller's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.

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