COLLINSON STUART J

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

COLLINSON STUART J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS

INC / MA [VRTX]

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

12/14/2006

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O VERTEX

PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 130 WAVERLY

STREET

(City)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/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

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

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		Table 1 Troil Delivative Securities Acquired, Dispo							.y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/14/2006		M	49,599	A	\$ 18.25	52,878	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2006		M	420	A	\$ 9.68	53,298	D	
Common Stock	12/14/2006		S(1)	50,019	D	\$ 37.81	3,279	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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option	\$ 18.25	12/14/2006		M	49,599	12/07/1999(2)	12/06/2009	Common Stock	49,599
Stock Option	\$ 9.68	12/14/2006		M	420	04/29/1999(3)	04/28/2009	Common Stock	420

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COLLINSON STUART J C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 130 WAVERLY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

X

Signatures

Valerie L. Andrews, Attorney-In-Fact

12/15/2006

**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. Collinson's company approved trading plan established under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Right to buy under the 1996 Stock and Option Plan, fully vested as of 12/7/1999.
- (3) Right to buy under the 1996 Stock and Option Plan, fully vested as of 4/29/1999.

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