PRINS RICHARD K

Check this box

if no longer

Section 16.

Form 4 or

subject to

Form 4

August 16, 2017

FORM 4

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

OMB Number:

3235-0287

Expires:

January 31, 2005

0.5

Estimated average burden hours per

OMB APPROVAL

response...

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRINS RICHARD K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[AMPH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/14/2017

_X__ Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570 6TH STREET

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(City)	(State)	(State) 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. Securi corr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/14/2017		Code V M	Amount 5,000		Price \$ 10.77	(Instr. 3 and 4) 33,844	D	
Common Stock	08/14/2017		S	5,000	D	\$ 14.7994 (1)	28,844	D	
Common Stock	08/15/2017		M	5,000	A	\$ 10.77	33,844	D	
Common Stock	08/15/2017		S	5,000	D	\$ 14.8174	28,844	D	

Edgar Filing: PRINS RICHARD K - Form 4

(2)

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

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1474 (9-02)

(In

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 Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		erivative Expiration Date urities (Month/Day/Year) uired or oosed of tr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.77	08/14/2017		M	5,000	(3)	12/15/2017	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.77	08/15/2017		M	5,000	(3)	12/15/2017	Common Stock	5,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PRINS RICHARD K C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	X					
0 1						

Signatures

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of	08/16/2017		
attorney	00/10/2017		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

Reporting Owners 2

Edgar Filing: PRINS RICHARD K - Form 4

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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.75 to \$14.84, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the
- (1) Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) to this Form 4.
- (2) The reported price in Column 4 is weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.65 to \$14.97 per share, inclusive.
- (3) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.