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obligation may cont <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	ns Section 1	7(a) of the	Public U		ling Con	npany	Act of	1935 or Section	1		
(Print or Type F	Responses)										
PRINS RICHARD K Sym			Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]					(Check all applicable)			
(Montl			(Month/D	te of Earliest Transaction th/Day/Year) 0/2018				Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
PHARMAC	EUTICALS, 6TH STREET	-	11/29/2	018							
				endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
RANCHO CUCAMON	JGA, CA 9173	0						Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security2. 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)				Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	11/29/2018			М	5,000	А	\$ 14.66	40,434	D		
Common Stock	11/29/2018			S	5,000	D	\$ 20.5	35,434	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)		8. I Der Sec (In:
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.66	11/29/2018		М	5,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/20/2018	Common Stock	5,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PRINS RICHARD K C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTIC 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	CALS, INC.	X					
Signatures							
/s/ Eva Wen, by power of attorney	11/30/2018						
**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) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

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