

Liawatidewi Yakob
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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 *
 Liawatidewi Yakob

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
 [AMPH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/08/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP Corp Admin Center

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

RANCHO
 CUCAMONGA, CA 91730
 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2018 | | M | 6,000 A \$ 11.41 | 46,763 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/08/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 6,000 D \$ 20.5 | 40,763 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/09/2018 | | M | 4,903 A \$ 14.23 | 45,666 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/09/2018 | | M | 4,904 A \$ 14.4 | 50,570 | D | |

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|--------------|------------|------------------|--------|---|-----------------------------|--------|---|-------------------------|
| Common Stock | 11/09/2018 | S ⁽¹⁾ | 11,808 | D | \$ 21.2077 <u>(2)</u> | 38,762 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 10,369 | I | See footnote <u>(3)</u> |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 11.41 | 11/08/2018 | | M | 6,000 | <u>(4)</u> 03/08/2021 | Common Stock | 6,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 14.23 | 11/09/2018 | | M | 4,903 | <u>(4)</u> 12/22/2021 | Common Stock | 4,903 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 14.4 | 11/09/2018 | | M | 4,904 | <u>(4)</u> 04/14/2024 | Common Stock | 4,904 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SVP Corp Admin Center

Liawatidewi Yakob
C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
11570 6TH STREET
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

Signatures

/s/ Yakob
Liawatidewi 11/13/2018
**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 4, 2018.
The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$21.00 to \$21.50 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The reported shares are held of record by the Yakob and Sunmoon Trust dated July 25, 2013 for which the reporting person serves as a trustee.
- (3) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

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