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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Meyer Ernie

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol PORTOLA PHARMACEUTICALS

INC [PTLA]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2018

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

below) EVP and CHRO

C/O PORTOLA

(Last)

Common

Stock

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 270

(Street)

E. GRAND AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

> (City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

08/31/2018

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

30,000 \$0 30,000 (1) D A (1)

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 of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.85	08/31/2018		A	87,500	(2)	08/30/2028	Common Stock	87,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Meyer Ernie C/O PORTOLA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 270 E. GRAND AVENUE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

EVP and CHRO

Signatures

/s/ Mike Ouimette, as attorney-in-fact

09/05/2018

**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) Grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") in consideration of services rendered. The RSUs will vest annually over three years commencing on September 1, 2019, subject to the Reporting Person's Continuous Service as of each such date.
- (2) The Option vest as follows: 25% of the shares shall vest one year from the Vesting Commencement Date of August 20, 2018, and the remaining shares shall vest ratably over the next 36 months.

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