ALPHARMA INC Form 4 February 25, 2008

## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Watts Peter

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ALPHARMA INC [ALO]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/21/2008

Director X\_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O ALPHARMA INC., 440

**ROUTE 22 EAST** 

Security

(Instr. 3)

below) EVP, HR

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

below)

BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amour Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securit** Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired or Dispos (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			ed of	d of			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.05	02/21/2008		A		23,483		<u>(1)</u>	02/21/2018	Common Stock A	23,4

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Watts Peter

C/O ALPHARMA INC. 440 ROUTE 22 EAST BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

EVP, HR

### **Signatures**

By: Marie Amerasinghe For: Peter Watts

02/25/2008

\*\*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) These options vest at a rate of 25% on each of the four anniversary dates immediately following the date of grant, subject to the forfeiture and acceleration provisions in the Award Agreement.

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