Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 4

August 19, 2015

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Zhang Jack Y.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

[AMPH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/17/2015

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

CEO & Chief Scientific Officer

X__ 10% Owner __Other (specify

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C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS,

INC., 11570 6TH STREET

(First)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Director

X_ Officer (give title

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

Person

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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)
Common Stock	08/17/2015		Code V M	Amount 8,481	(D)	Price \$ 12.97	920,117	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2015		M	8,481	A	\$ 12.97	670,147	I	See footnote (1)
Common Stock							7,631,594	I	See footnote (2)
							5,000	I	

Common Stock			See footnote (3)
Common Stock	200,000	I	See footnote (4)
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially own	ned 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	erivative Expiration Date rities (Month/Day/Year) ired rosed of 3, 4,		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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.97	08/17/2015		M	8,481	<u>(5)</u>	09/28/2015	Common Stock	8,481
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.97	08/17/2015		M	8,481	<u>(5)</u>	09/28/2015	Common Stock	8,481

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner runner radiction	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Zhang Jack Y. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	X	X	CEO & Chief Scientific Officer			

2 Reporting Owners

Luo Mary Z. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

X X COO and Chief Scientist

Signatures

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of attorney for Jack Y.
Zhang
08/18/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of attorney for Mary Z.
Luo

08/18/2015

**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) The securities are held of record by Mary Z. Luo. The reporting persons are husband and wife.
- (2) The shares are held of record by Applied Physics & Chemistry Laboratories, Inc., of which the reporting persons are the sole owners.
 - The shares are held of record in an account for the benefit of the reporting persons' son. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial
- (3) ownership of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.
 - The shares are held of record by a trust for the benefit of the reporting persons' son. The reporting persons disclaim beneficial ownership
- (4) of these shares, and the inclusion of these shares in this report should not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of any such shares for purposes of Section 16, or for any other purpose.
- (5) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

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