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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
PETERS WILLIAM J	Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [					
	AMPH ]	Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
		CFO, EVP & Treasurer				
C/O AMPHASTAR	3/16/2023					
PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570						
6TH STREET						
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730		X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)	Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication					
	$\Box$ Check this box to indicate that a transaction was m	ade pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan				
	that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense cond	•				
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#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date			de	4 Securi	tion A aqui		5 A ( 60 1/2 D ( 11 0 1	1	
(1150. 5)		Date, if any	(Instr. 8)					Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	3/16/2023		F		<b>4995 (1)</b>	D	\$37.60	109310	D	
Common Stock	3/17/2023		F		<b>4162</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$36.29	105148	D	

### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate	2.	3. Trans.	3A. Deemed	4. Trans. C	. Trans. Code 5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable		7. Title and Amount of		8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature	
Security	Conversion	Date	Execution	(Instr. 8)	nstr. 8) Derivative Securities		and Expiration Date		Securities Underlying		Derivative	derivative	Ownership	of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	or Exercise		Date, if any		Acquired (A) or		Derivative Security		Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial			
	Price of		-			Disposed of (D)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership		
	Derivative					(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)							Owned	Security:	(Instr. 4)
	Security												Following	Direct (D)	
													Reported	or Indirect	
								Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s)	(I) (Instr.	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Date	1.40	Shares		(Instr. 4)	4)	

### **Explanation of Responses:**

(1) The reported shares were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units, or RSUs.

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Wante / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
PETERS WILLIAM J C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730			CFO, EVP & Treasurer					

### Signatures

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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

3/20/2023 Date

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

\* 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).

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