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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
Lee Howard					Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]							X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570					5/20/2021											
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	(St	reet)		4.	. If A	mendn	nent, Date	Orig	ginal Fi	led (MM/I	DD/YYYY)	6. Individual	or Joint/G	roup Filing (Check Appl	icable Line)
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730 (City) (State) (Zip)				30								X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		, , ,		- Non-Do	eriva	tive Se	curities A	cqui	ired, D	isposed	of, or Ber	neficially Own	ed			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			rans. Date	e 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		3. Trans. Coo (Instr. 8)	de	Dispose	rities Acqui d of (D) , 4 and 5)	. ,	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 5/20/2021							M		10000	A	\$16.43	142914		D		
Common Stock 5/20/2021				20/2021			S		10000	D §	619.7354 ⁽¹⁾	132914			D	
	Ta	ble II - Dei	rivative S	Securitie	s Ben	eficial	lly Owned	(e.g	, puts	, calls, w	arrants, o	options, conve	rtible secu	ırities)		
(Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deeme Execution Date, if an	Code		Derivat Acquir Dispos	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Securities U Derivative (Instr. 3 and	Jnderlying Security	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Security			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Dat Exe	te ercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$16.43	5/20/2021		M			10000		<u>(2)</u>	6/9/2021	Common Stock	10000	\$0	15827	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$19.66 to \$19.945 shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) Shares subject to the option are fully vested and immediately exercisable.

Reporting Owners

PB - W						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other		
Lee Howard						
C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.	v					
11570 6TH STREET	Λ					
RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730						

Signatures

/s/ Eva Wen, by power of attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

5/24/2021

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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