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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PETERS WILLIAM J Issuer Symbol Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (Check all applicable) [AMPH] 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O AMPHASTAR 03/04/2019 CFO, SVP & Treasurer PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 11570 6TH STREET (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Transactiom Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or		(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	03/04/2019		M	1,500	A	\$ 13.35	77,050	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2019		S(1)	1,500	D	\$ 25.3577 (2)	75,550	D	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.35	03/04/2019		M	1,500	(3)	03/16/2027	Common Stock	1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

PETERS WILLIAM J C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

CFO, SVP & Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ William J.

Peters 03/06/2019

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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 sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 30, 2018.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$25.35 (2) to \$25.41, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Shares subject to the option vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2018.

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