CTI BIOPHARMA CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LOVE RICHARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CTI BIOPHARMA CORP [CTIC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

3101 WESTERN AVENUE, SUITE

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/29/2015

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

600

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

SEATTLE, WA 98121

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of

Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. | 8) | Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5) | f (D) | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|---------|----|--|-------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 1.27 | 12/29/2015 | | A | | 100,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 12/28/2025 | Common Stock | 100,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| LOVE RICHARD L 3101 WESTERN AVENUE, SUITE 600 SEATTLE, WA 98121 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Louis A. Bianco, as attorney-in-fact

12/31/2015 Date

**Signature of 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) This stock option was granted on December 29, 2015 and vests on the date that is six months after the date of grant or, if earlier, the first annual meeting of CTIC's shareholders in 2016 at which one or more members of the CTIC Board of Directors are to be elected.

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