Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc.

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCGRATH JOHN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Atara Biotherapeutics, Inc. [ATRA]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
611 GATEWAY			05/15/2017	_X_ Officer (give title Other (speci			
BOULEVARD, SUITE 900				below) below) EVP & Chief Financial Office			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	ransaction(A) or Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	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	05/15/2017		M	935	A	\$ 0 (1)	113,762	D			
Common Stock	05/15/2017		M	7,698	A	\$ 0 (1)	121,460	D			
Common Stock	05/15/2017		S(2)	2,000	D	\$ 14.95 (3)	119,460	D			
Common Stock	05/16/2017		S(2)	2,000	D	\$ 15.27 (4)	117,460	D			

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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)	2 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) of		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	05/15/2017		M	935	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	935	\$
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	05/15/2017		M	7,698	<u>(9)</u>	(10)	Common Stock	7,698	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MCGRATH JOHN 611 GATEWAY BOULEVARD SUITE 900 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Tina Gullotta, Attorney-in-Fact for John F.

McGrath, Jr.

05/17/2017

**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) Shares issued upon settlement of vested restricted stock units ("RSUs").
- (2) Transaction pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 Plan adopted July 6, 2016.

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- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. The prices actually received ranged from \$14.70 to \$15.25. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
- The price in Column 4 is a weighted average sale price. The prices actually received ranged from \$15.20 to \$15.30. The reporting person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the range.
- (5) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock or a cash settlement.
 - The RSUs were granted with both (a) a liquidity event-based vesting condition and (b) a service-based vesting condition, both of which conditions must be satisfied in order for the RSUs to vest. The liquidity event-based condition was satisfied upon the closing of the
- Issuer's initial public offering (the "IPO"). The shares that vested on the closing date of the IPO, and the shares that vested thereafter through May 15, 2015, were settled on May 15, 2015. The service-based vesting condition provides that 25% of the total number of shares on March 13, 2014 and 1/48th of the total number of shares monthly thereafter, subject to the holder's continuous service through each such date.
- (7) The earlier of (i) March 13, 2020 or (ii) the recepient's termination date.
- (8) The shares are held by the David B. Horowitz and John McGrath Jr. Revocable Living Trust dated 6/3/11, of which the Reporting Person is trustee.
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- (10) The earlier of (i) December 12, 2020 or (ii) the recipient's termination date.

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