

PAULSON THOMAS J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 PAULSON THOMAS J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NovaBay Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
 [NBY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/27/2011

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

C/O NOVABAY
 PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 5980
 HORTON STREET, SUITE 550

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Restricted Stock Unit (1) | 10/27/2011 | | A | A | \$ 40,000 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 7,500 | D | |

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾ | \$ 1.09 | 10/27/2011 | | A | 56,000 | 10/27/2012 10/27/2021 | Common Shares | 56,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PAULSON THOMAS J
C/O NOVABAY PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.
5980 HORTON STREET, SUITE 550
EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

CFO

Signatures

/s/ Theresa Granados, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas J. Paulson

11/01/2011

__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).

Mr. Paulson was granted 40,000 shares of Restricted Stock Units (RSU). Twenty-five percent (25%) of the RSUs will vest on the first (1) anniversary of the date of grant, and the balance shall vest in a series of three (3) equal installments upon the completion of each year beginning October 27, 2012.

(2) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the option shares vest and become exercisable on the first anniversary of the date of grant, and the balance of the option shares vest and become exercisable in a series of twelve (12) equal installments upon the completion of each three (3) months beginning October 27, 2012.

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