Viking Therapeutics, Inc.

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * A Hanley Rochelle

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VIKING THERAPEUTICS. INC., Â 11119 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE

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(Street)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/28/2015

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Viking Therapeutics, Inc. [VKTX]

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

Chief Medical Officer

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

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO, CAÂ 92037

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

(1)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Direct (D) or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock, par value \$0.00001 per share

250,000

D Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of **Expiration Date**

Securities Underlying

5. Conversion

6. Nature of Indirect Ownership Beneficial Ownership

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(Month/Day/Year)			Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Hanley Rochelle						
C/O VIKING THERAPEUTICS, INC.	Â	Â	Chief Medical Officer	Â		
11119 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 50	А	А	A Chief Wedical Officer	А		
SAN DIEGO, CA 92037						

Signatures

/s/ Brian Lian, Ph.D., as
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Includes 125,000 shares of restricted stock that are subject to vesting, of which 62,500 will vest on each of April 15, 2016 and April 15, 2017

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Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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