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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Berman Michael A | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CADENCE PHARMACEUTICALS INC CADX] | | | | | [(Ch | Relationship (eck all applic X Directo | cable) or | g Pers | 10% Ow | ner | |
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| | DENCE PH | ARMACEUTIC | | | Date o | | Trans | saction (Montl | n/Day/Year) | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (s below) | pecify | |
| 12481 HIGH BLUFF DRIVE, SUITE 200 (Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | If Ame | endment, I | Date (| of Original File | ed (Month/Da | ay/Year) | Line | X Form f | iled by One | Repo | (Check App rting Persor One Repor | . |
| | | Tab | le I - Non-D | erivativ | e Se | curities | s Ac | quired, Di | sposed o | of, or Be | neficial | y Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date | | | Transaction | action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction | 4. Securi | ecurities Acquired (A) or osed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Dwnership Instr. 4) | | |
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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | nversion Date Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if a (Morth/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea | Code | Transaction (Code (Instr. I) | | oer ive ies ed ed nstr. | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | ly | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Stock option (right to buy) | \$2.98 | 06/13/2012 | | A | | 17,500 | | (1) | 06/13/2022 | Common Stock | 17,500 | \$0.00 | 17,500 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares shall vest in twelve equal monthly installments of 1/12 of the original number of shares subject to such option beginning upon the Vesting Commencement Date of July 1, 2012, subject to such individual's continuing service on the Board through each such date.

Remarks:

Hazel M. Aker Attorney-in-fact 06/14/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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