

MAHON PAUL A
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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 *
MAHON PAUL A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITED THERAPEUTICS CORP
[UTHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/17/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP & General Counsel

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2009 | | M | | 2,000 A \$ 24.39 | 27,500 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2009 | | S | | 2,000 (2) D \$ 51.7361 | 25,500 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2009 | | M | | 2,000 A \$ 27.97 | 27,500 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2009 | | S | | 2,000 (2) D \$ 51.7365 | 25,500 | D |

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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities (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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Options | \$ 24.39 | 12/17/2009 | | M | 2,000 | 06/29/2006 06/29/2015 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Options | \$ 27.97 | 12/17/2009 | | M | 2,000 | 03/15/2008 ⁽¹⁾ 03/15/2007 | Common Stock | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--------------------------------|---|
| MAHON PAUL A | Director 10% Owner Officer Other EVP & General Counsel |

Signatures

/s/ Paul A. Mahon
Date: 12/18/2009
**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) These stock options vest in one-third increments on each of 3/15/08, 3/15/09 and 3/15/10.
- (2) The exercise of stock options and the corresponding sale of 2,000 shares are pursuant to the 10b5-1 Plan adopted by the reporting person on May 6, 2009.

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