Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person * Statement Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH] Koo Richard (Month/Day/Year) 06/24/2014 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O AMPHASTAR (Check all applicable) PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.. 11570 6TH STREET 10% Owner _X_ Director Officer (Street) Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person **RANCHO** Form filed by More than One CUCAMONGA, Â CAÂ 91730 Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 204,365 D Â Common Stock 5,457 (1) D By Richard Y. Koo, a sole Common Stock 10,000 Ι proprietorship (2) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable		3. Title and A Securities Un Derivative Se (Instr. 4)	derlying	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Stock Option (Right to	(3)	12/20/2018	Common	29,278	\$ 14.66	D	Â

Reporting Owners

	Relationships			
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Koo Richard C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	ÂX	Â	Â	Â

Signatures

/s/Richard Koo, by Power of Attorney 06/24/2014

**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).
- (1) This represents deferred stock units that were granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer through the vesting date.
- (2) Reflects shares owned by Richard Y. Koo, a sole proprietorship, of which the Reporting Person is the sole owner.
- This option was granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vests on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer through the vesting date.

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