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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Lasaga Jo | | porting | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC [RIGL] | | | | |
|---|------------------|------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 10/10/2016 | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | |
| RIGEL PHA INC., 1180 | | · · · · · | | | | | | |
| BLVD. (Street) | | | | DirectorOther OfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) VP Bus. Dev.& Alliance Mgmt | | r ow) | r 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting | |
| SOUTH SAT FRANCISC | | 94080 | | | | | Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - N | Non-Derivat | tive Securiti | ies Bei | neficially Owned | |
| 1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4) | ity | | 2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4) | | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nat Owne (Instr. | 1 | |
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| Т | able II - Der | vivative Secur | rities Beneficially Owned (e | .g., puts, calls, | , warrants, opt | tions, c | onvertible securities) | |

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 4. 6. Nature of Indirect 5. (Instr. 4) Expiration Date Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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| Date | Expiration | Title | Amount or | Security | Direct (D) |
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| Exercisable | Date | | Number of | | or Indirect |
| | | | Shares | | (I) |
| | | | | | (Instr. 5) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | Relationships | | | | |
|---|-----------|---------------|------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Lasaga Joseph RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 1180 VETERANS BLVD. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94 | Â 4080 | Â | VP Bus. Dev.& Alliance Mgmt. | Â | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| /s/Dolly Vance (Attorney-in-Fact) |)/11/2016 | | | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date | | | | | |
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