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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person |
|---|
| Weinstein Herschel S |

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FOREST LABORATORIES INC

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

[FRX]

(Check all applicable) Director

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O FOREST LABORATORIES,

(Street)

(First)

INC., 909 THIRD AVENUE

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

VP General Counsel

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/06/2009

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | le I - Non-l | Derivative | Secur | ities Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y 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. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (| ` ′ | 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) |
| Common Stock | 12/06/2009 | | F | 1,406 | D | \$ 31.445 | 37,326 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/07/2009 | | A | 40,000 (1) | A | \$ 0 | 77,326 (2) | D | |

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, | | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Share |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 31.265 | 12/07/2009 | | A | 35,000 | 12/07/2010(3) | 12/06/2019 | Common Stock | 35,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Weinstein Herschel S C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, INC. 909 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

VP General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Herschel S. 12/08/2009 Weinstein

**Signature of Reporting Date

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 shares of common stock are issued under the Company's 2007 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to a risk of forfeiture, which lapses as to 25% of the shares on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date (December 7, 2009).
- (2) This amount includes shares of common stock which are subject to a risk of forfeiture.
- (3) The option becomes exercisable as to 15% of the shares covered by the option on each of the first four anniversaries of the grant date (December 7, 2009) and as to the remaining 40% on the fifth anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) Not Applicable.

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