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1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Finnerty Thomas

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Anika Therapeutics, Inc. [ANIK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2019

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

below) Chief Human Resources Officer

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

> Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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Person

Issuer

BEDFORD, MA 01730

32 WIGGINS AVENUE

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. | 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5) | l of | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------|------------------|---------|----|---|------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Unit | \$ 0 | 02/26/2019 | | A | | 9,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 9,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 61.47 (2) | 02/27/2019(3) | | A | | 2,873 | | <u>(4)</u> | 01/24/2028 | Common Stock | 2,873 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Finnerty Thomas 32 WIGGINS AVENUE BEDFORD, MA 01730

Chief Human Resources Officer

Signatures

/s/ Thomas
Finnerty

**Signature of Date

**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) Each RSU represents the contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. The RSUs vest in three equal annual installments beginning February 26, 2020.
- The exercise price of the stock options represents the closing price of the Company's common stock on the grant date, January 24, 2018, (2) the date the Compensation Committee of the Company granted these performance-based stock option awards (the "Performance Grant"). Please also see notes 3 and 4.
- (3) On February 27, 2019, the Compensation Committee determined and certified that 53.2% of the initial Performance Grant had been earned, subject to time-based vesting. Please also see notes 2 and 4.
- (4) The stock options vest in four equal installments on the following dates: February 27, 2019, January 1, 2020, January 1, 2021, and January 1, 2022.

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