EPIX Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 4

Common

Stock (Sale

Pursuant to a 10b5-1

12/28/2004

December 30, 2004

OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MARSHALL PEYTON J Issuer Symbol EPIX Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [EPIX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O EPIX PHARMACEUTICALS, 12/28/2004 below) below) INC., 161 FIRST STREET Sr. VP, Fin. & Admn. & CFO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 12/28/2004 M 1,500 Α \$ 8.28 1,500 D Stock Common Stock (Sale Pursuant to 12/28/2004 $S^{(1)}$ 700 D 800 D 17.79 a 10b5-1 **Trading** Plan)

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

6. Date Exercisable and 1. Title of 2. 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 7. Title and Amount of 8 Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Underlying Securities D Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) (Instr. 8) Price of (Month/Day/Year) Acquired Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount orDate Expiration Title Number Exercisable Date of Code V (A) (D) Shares Stock Option Common 1.500 11/26/2002 11/26/2012 \$ 8.28 12/28/2004 M 1,500 (Right to Stock

Reporting Owners

Buy)

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARSHALL PEYTON J C/O EPIX PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 161 FIRST STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138

Sr. VP, Fin. & Admn. & CFO

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Paula Valencia-Galbraith, Attorney-in-Fact

12/30/2004

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan adopted by the reporting person on March 9, 2004
- (2) From November 26, 2002 grant of 151,038 options to purchase shares of common stock of which 29,000 options have been exercised, 42,769 options are vested and the remaining 83,769 shares vest in three equal installments beginning in November 26, 2005.

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