

Sabat John R
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Sabat John R

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE
 (Street)

BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AKORN INC [AKN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/13/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr VP, National Accounts

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/13/2006		C	V	152,606	A	(1) 176,435 (2) D

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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. An
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 ⁽⁴⁾	12/31/2004		J ⁽³⁾		⁽⁶⁾	10/31/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 ⁽⁴⁾	03/31/2005		J ⁽³⁾		⁽⁶⁾	10/31/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 ⁽⁴⁾	06/30/2005		J ⁽³⁾		⁽⁶⁾	10/31/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 ⁽⁴⁾	09/30/2005		J ⁽³⁾		⁽⁶⁾	10/31/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 ⁽⁴⁾	12/31/2005		J ⁽³⁾		⁽⁶⁾	10/31/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 ⁽⁴⁾	01/13/2006		C		⁽⁶⁾	⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sabat John R 2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089			Sr VP, National Accounts	

Signatures

John R Sabat 01/18/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

On January 13, 2006, the reporting person was issued 152,606 shares of Akorn Common Stock upon the automatic conversion of his (1) 1,000 shares of Series A 6% Convertible Preferred Stock with a \$100 per share stated value plus accrued and unpaid dividends of \$14,455 at a conversion price equal to \$0.75 per share of common stock.

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- (2) Includes additional purchases of Akorn Common Stock through Akorn's Employee Stock Purchase Plan of 524 shares on July 1, 2005, 603 shares on October 1, 2005, and 481 shares on January 3, 2006.
- (3) Voluntary reporting of dividend resulting from existing Series A 6% Participating Convertible Preferred Stock ownership.
- (4) Subject to adjustment.
- (5) Mandatory Redemption on this date.
- (6) Immediately

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