

GILEAD SCIENCES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DENNY JAMES M

 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

 (Check all applicable)

**GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333
 LAKESIDE DRIVE**

 (Street)

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/29/2009

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

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

 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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/29/2009		M	A	\$ 8.5	329,800	D
Common Stock	01/29/2009		S	D	\$ 50.2569 <u>(1)</u>	253,300	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)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.5	01/29/2009		M	90,000	(2) 01/02/2013	Common Stock	90,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DENNY JAMES M GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404		X		

Signatures

/s/Robin L. Washington, by Power of Attorney for James M. Denny 02/02/2009

**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).
- (1) Sale prices reported for the transactions reported here range from \$49.925 to \$50.79. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price will be provided to the SEC, the issuer or its shareowners upon request.
- (2) Options vested quarterly for a period of five years beginning April 2, 2003 and were fully vested on January 2, 2008.

Remarks:

The exercise and sale transactions reported in this Form 4 are made pursuant to a Rule 105b-1 trading plan established by Mr. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.