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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Alam Abu S

(First)

(Street)

2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AKORN INC [AKN]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

01/13/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Sr. VP, New Bus Development

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BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089 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 Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 01/13/2006 C 38,151 Α <u>(1)</u> 87,807 D Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriva Securi Acqui Dispos		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 (2)	12/31/2004		<u>J(3)</u>	\$ 398		<u>(4)</u>	10/31/2011(5)	Common Stock	530
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 (2)	03/31/2005		J <u>(3)</u>	\$ 404		<u>(4)</u>	10/31/2011 <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	538
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 (2)	06/30/2005		<u>J(3)</u>	\$ 410		<u>(4)</u>	10/31/2011 <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	546
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 (2)	09/30/2005		<u>J(3)</u>	\$ 416		<u>(4)</u>	10/31/2011(5)	Common Stock	554
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 (2)	12/31/2005		<u>J(3)</u>	\$ 422		<u>(4)</u>	10/31/2011 <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	563
Series A Preferred Stock	\$ 0.75 (2)	01/13/2006		C		\$ 28,614	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	38,15

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Alam Abu S 2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089			Sr. VP, New Bus Development				

Signatures

Abu S Alam 01/18/2006

**Signature of 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).

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On January 13, 2006, the reporting person was issued 38,151 shares of Akorn Common Stock upon the automatic conversion of his 250 shares of Series A 6% Convertible Preferred Stock with a \$100 per share stated value plus accrued and unpaid dividends of \$3,614 at a conversion price equal to \$0.75 per share of common stock.

- (2) Subject to adjustment.
- (3) Voluntary reporting of dividend resulting from existing Series A 6% Participating Convertible Preferred Stock Ownership.
- (4) Immediately
- (5) Mandatory redemption on this date.

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