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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pina Kenneth

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

PERNIX THERAPEUTICS

01/05/2019

HOLDINGS, INC. [PTX]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

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C/O PERNIX THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS, INC., 10 NORTH

PARK PLACE, SUITE 201

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MORRISTOWN, NJ 07960

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

Stock

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially Beneficial (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 01/05/2019

Code V Amount (D) Price F

 $14,726^{(2)}$ 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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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pina Kenneth C/O PERNIX THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS, INC. 10 NORTH PARK PLACE, SUITE 201 MORRISTOWN, NJ 07960

SVP, GC, Compliance Off & Sec

Signatures

/s/ Kenneth R. 01/08/2019

**Signature of Date
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) Represents restricted stock units ("RSUs") of Pernix Therapeutics Holdings, Inc. withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of RSUs, exempt under Rule 16b-3.
 - Consists of (i) 2,726 shares of common stock owned directly, (ii) the unvested amount of previously-awarded RSUs that vest in four equal annual installments of 1,250 shares with the third installment vesting on January 5, 2020, (iii) the unvested amount of
- (2) previously-awarded RSUs that vest in four equal annual installments of 1,500 shares, with the second installment vesting on August 8, 2019 and (iv) the unvested amount of previously-awarded RSUs that vest in four equal installments of 1,250 shares, with the first installment vesting on March 15, 2019.

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