

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Applied Physics & Chemistry Laboratories, Inc.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 13760 MAGNOLIA AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/09/2015

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

CHINO, CA 91710

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) |                |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|----------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   | (A) or (D)                                 | Price          |
| Common Stock                    | 12/09/2015                           |  | S(1)                           |   | 26,319  | D  |  | \$ 14.2913 (2) |
| Common Stock                    | 12/10/2015                           |  | S(1)                           |   | 21,915  | D  |  | \$ 14.3228 (3) |
| Common Stock                    | 12/11/2015                           |  | S(1)                           |   | 15,066  | D  |  | \$ 14.0539 (4) |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Applied Physics & Chemistry Laboratories, Inc.<br>13760 MAGNOLIA AVENUE<br>CHINO, CA 91710 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Ken Stupak, Corporate Counsel  
12/11/2015  
\*\*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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 4, 2015.
- (2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.09 to \$14.74 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (2), (3) and (4) to this Form 4.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$14.205 to \$14.93, inclusive.
- (4) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$13.825 to \$14.35, inclusive.

**Remarks:**

Jack Y. Zhang ("Dr. Zhang") is the Chief Executive Officer and a director of the Issuer and Mary Z. Luo ("Dr. Luo") is the Ch

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