Elrod James W Form 4 January 05, 2010

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Elrod James W Issuer Symbol KING PHARMACEUTICALS INC (Check all applicable) [KG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O KING PHARMACEUTICALS, 12/31/2009 Chief Legal Officer, Secretary INC., 501 FIFTH STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BRISTOL, TN 37620 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 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 (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 12/31/2009 \$0 M 13,609 Α 178,574 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)	ion Date, if TransactionDerivative Code Securities		e (A) ed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) (I	4, D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Long-Term Performance Unit	(1)	12/31/2009		M	13,	609	<u>(1)</u>	12/31/2009	Common Stock	13,60

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Elrod James W C/O KING PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 501 FIFTH STREET BRISTOL, TN 37620

Chief Legal Officer, Secretary

## **Signatures**

/s/ James W. 01/05/2010 Elrod

\*\*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) Each Long-Term Performance Unit represented a contingent right to receive a share of King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. common stock if the reporting person remained employed by King Pharmaceuticals, Inc. during the two-year vesting period that ended on December 31, 2009.

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