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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Alton Gregg H			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE			08/01/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(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		
FOSTER CITY, CA 94404				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	ities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	ODD Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (A) or	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/01/2012		Code V M	Amount 11,000	(D)	Price \$ 21.985	· ·	D	
Common Stock	08/01/2012		S	12,000	D	\$ 54.0833 (3)	38,790	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2012		M	31,371	A	\$ 21.985	70,161	D	
Common Stock	08/02/2012		S	31,371	D	\$ 57.9475 (4)	38,790	D	
	08/02/2012		M	21,629	A	\$ 29.005	60,419	D	

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	08/02/2012	S	21,629	D	\$ 57.9475 (4)	38,790	D
Common Stock	08/02/2012	M	7,000	A	\$ 19.36	45,790	D
Common Stock	08/02/2012	S	7,000	D	\$ 57.9475	38,790	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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.36	08/02/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	7,000	(2)	05/09/2015	Common Stock	7,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.985	08/01/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	11,000	<u>(2)</u>	07/27/2015	Common Stock	11,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.985	08/02/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	31,371	<u>(2)</u>	07/27/2015	Common Stock	31,3
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.005	08/02/2012		M(1)	21,629	(2)	01/25/2016	Common Stock	21,0

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Alton Gregg H GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

EVP, Corp & Med Affairs

Signatures

/s/ Kristen M. Metza by Power of Attorney for Gregg H. Alton

08/03/2012

**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 exercise and sale transactions reported in this Form 4 made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan established by Mr. Alton on February 7, 2012.
- (2) The options have a five year vesting schedule. 20% vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant. The balance will vest 5% quarterly thereafter until fully vested.
- (3) Sale prices reported for the transactions reported here range from \$53.60 to \$54.50. 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.
- (4) Sale prices reported for the transactions reported here range from \$57.59 to \$58.03. 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.

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