Alkermes plc. Form 4 September 20, 2011

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MITCHELL PAUL J Issuer Symbol Alkermes plc. [ALKS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify TREASURY BUILDING, LOWER 09/16/2011 below) **GRAND CANAL 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

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(City)	(State) (A	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transaction	4. SecuritonAcquired Disposed	(A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
((Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and 5 (A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/16/2011		A	8,000		(<u>3</u>)	8,000	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)	4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.98	09/16/2011		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	10/06/2019	Common Stock	20,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.91	09/16/2011		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	04/24/2013	Common Stock	20,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.91	09/16/2011		A	8,000	<u>(1)</u>	04/24/2013	Common Stock	8,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.44	09/16/2011		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	10/07/2018	Common Stock	20,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.84	09/16/2011		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/23/2014	Common Stock	20,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.44	09/16/2011		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/09/2013	Common Stock	20,000
	\$ 14.04	09/16/2011		A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/21/2016		20,000

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Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)							Common Stock	
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.77	09/16/2011	A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/23/2015	Common Stock	20,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.29	09/16/2011	A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	10/09/2017	Common Stock	20,000
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.92	09/16/2011	A	20,000	<u>(1)</u>	10/05/2020	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MITCHELL PAUL J TREASURY BUILDING LOWER GRAND CANAL STREET DUBLIN 2	X						

Signatures

/s/ Jennifer Baptiste, attorney-in-fact for Paul J. 09/20/2011 Mitchell Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- 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) These options are fully vested in accordance with their terms.
- Received in exchange for, and having substantially the same terms as, stock options of Alkermes, Inc. common stock in connection with **(2)** the Merger.

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3 Reporting Owners

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Received in exchange for shares of Alkermes, Inc. common stock in connection with the merger of Alkermes, Inc. and the global drug delivery technologies business of Elan (the "Merger"). On 9/16/11, the effective date of the Merger, the closing price of ALKS was \$16.57 per share.

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