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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

C/O ARENA

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Audet Craig Michael

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First)

ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS

(Check all applicable)

INC [ARNA]

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

10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

12/13/2012

below)

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PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6154

(Street)

NANCY RIDGE DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

Applicable Line)

(Middle)

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

12/13/2012

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

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

3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)

(Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of

Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Amount (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Month/Day/Year)

Code V Price 15,000

Common Stock

\$ 0 D 15,000 Α (1)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.87	12/13/2012		A	50,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/13/2019	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Audet Craig Michael C/O ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 6154 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

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Signatures

Adam S. Chinnock, as

Attorney-in-Fact 12/17/2012

**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 amount represents restricted stock units that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on December 13, 2013.
- (2) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on December 13, 2013, and are exercisable once vested.

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