

PAULSON THOMAS J
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 PAULSON THOMAS J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NovaBay Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
 [NBV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5980 HORTON STREET, SUITE 550
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/28/2009

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 CFO

EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1.56	01/28/2009	A		26,600		01/28/2010 ⁽²⁾	01/28/2019	Common Stock	26,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PAULSON THOMAS J 5980 HORTON STREET SUITE 550 EMERYVILLE, CA 94608			CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Theresa Granados, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas J. Paulson 02/12/2009

__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) Granted pursuant to the NovaBay Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2007 Omnibus Incentive Plan
Twenty-five percent (25%) of the option shares vest and become exercisable upon the first anniversary of the date of grant and thereafter
- (2) the balance of the option shares vest and become exercisable in a series of twelve (12) equal installments upon the completion of each three (3) months beginning with January 28, 2010.

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