

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>JANNEY DANIEL</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>ONE EMBARCADERO CENTER, SUITE 3700</u> (Street) <u>SAN FRANCISCO CA 94111</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Esperion Therapeutics, Inc. [ESPR]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/18/2018</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/18/2018		M		71,237	A	\$6.99	631,204 ⁽¹⁾	I	See Footnote ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	01/18/2018		F		6,640	D	\$74.96	624,564	I	See Footnote ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	12/29/2017		G ⁽³⁾	V ⁽³⁾	31,466 ⁽³⁾	D	\$0.00 ⁽³⁾	0 ⁽³⁾	I	See Footnote ⁽⁴⁾
Common Stock	12/29/2017		G	V	7,020	D	\$0.00	0	I	See Footnote ⁽⁵⁾

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 Derivative 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Warrant to Purchase Common Stock	\$6.99	01/18/2018		M			71,237	(6)	02/12/2018	Common Stock	71,237	\$0.00	0	I	See Footnote ⁽²⁾

Explanation of Responses:

- Gives effect to the distribution of 800,000 shares of Common Stock distributed by Alta Partners VIII, L.P. ("APVIII") on a pro rata basis, for no additional consideration, to its partners on December 20, 2017, which distribution was not required to be reported under Section 16 pursuant to SEC rules. Alta Bioequities, L.P. ("Alta Bioequities") received 31,466 of these shares. Alta Bioequities Management, LLC is the general partner of Alta Bioequities, L.P. The Reporting Person is the Managing Director of Alta Bioequities Management, LLC and may be deemed to have voting and investment power over the shares owned by Alta Bioequities, L.P.
- These securities are owned directly by APVIII. The general partner of APVIII is Alta Partners Management VIII, LLC ("APMVIII"). Mr. Janney is a managing director of APMVIII, and he disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by APVIII, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Gift of 31,466 shares of Common Stock held by Alta Bioequities as described in footnote (1).
- These shares were held by Alta Bioequities. Alta Bioequities Management, LLC is the general partner of Alta Bioequities. The Reporting Person is the Managing Director of Alta Bioequities Management, LLC and may be deemed to have voting and investment power over the shares owned by Alta Bioequities.
- These shares were held by the Daniel Janney and Noelle Montgomery Family Trust DTD May 26, 1998 (the "Trust"). The Reporting Person is a Trustee of the Trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Immediately exercisable.

Remarks:

/s/ Daniel S. Janney 01/22/2018
 ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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