ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC

Form 4 June 24, 2015

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 obligations may continue.

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Afable Richard

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ACRX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

3345 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 06/23/2015

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Security

(Instr. 3)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Instr. 4)

Applicable Line)

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

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

below)

IRVINE, CA 92612

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 1. Title of 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration 7. Title and Amou Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative Date Underlying Securi Conversion

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8 | Securities Acquire or Dispo (D) (Instr. 3 and 5) | d (A) osed of | (Month/Day/Year) | /Day/Year) | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|---|------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Nun of S | |
| Common Stock (Right to Buy) (1) | \$ 4.08 | 06/23/2015 | | A | 15,000 |) | 07/23/2015(2)(3) | 06/22/2025 | Common Stock | 15, | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Afable Richard 3345 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100 IRVINE, CA 92612 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Martha Adler, Attorney-In-Fact

06/24/2015

**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) Issued pursuant to the 2011 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) The shares subject to the option vest as follows: 1/24th of the shares subject to the option vest in equal monthly installments over 24 months, subject to Optionee's Continuous Service on the Company's Board of Directors.
- (3) 100% Acceleration upon Change of Control.

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