FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FARRELL STEPHEN C (Last) (First) (Middle) 8 MINUTE MAN LANE						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol QUESTCOR PHARMACEUTICALS INC [QCOR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2009								Relationship of Reporting Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title below)			Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)	
(Street) LEXINGTON MA 02421 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da				action	ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			5. Amou Securitie Beneficia Owned F	nt of es ally Following	Form (D) or	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
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 D if any (Month/Day)	ate,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		of Securit		ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$9.31	01/01/2009			A		7,500		(2)	1	2/31/2018	Common Stock	7,500	\$0	7,500		D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$9.31	01/01/2009			A		10,000		(2)	1	2/31/2018	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	10,000)	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$9.31	01/01/2009			A		15,000		(3)	1	2/31/2018	Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,000)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Options were granted under the Questcor Pharmaceuticals, Inc. 2004 Non-Employee Director's Equity Incentive Plan.
- 2. The options vest as to 100% on date of grant.
- 3. Options vest monthly over 48 months from the date of the grant.

/s/ Stephen C. Farrell

01/05/2009

** 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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