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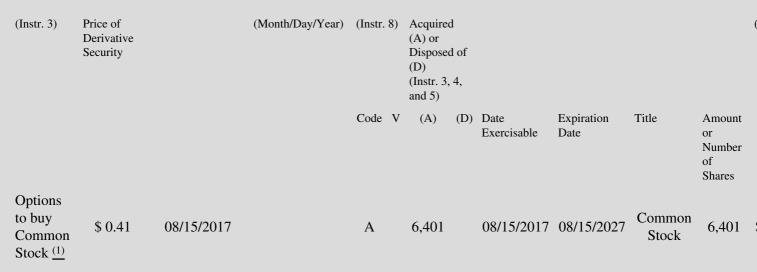
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August 16, 2017											
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(Print or Type Respon	nses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Springate Wayne S.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA INC [HEB]				-	 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer C (Check all applicable) 			
(Last) (22 ST JAMES C	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of (Month/			of Earliest Transaction Day/Year)				below)	Officer (give title Other (specify		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 			
PHILADELPHIA	A, PA 19106	5						Form filed by Person	More than One F	Reporting	
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
	nsaction Date th/Day/Year)	2A. Deema Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) of of (D) 4 and 2 (A) or) 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)	
Reminder: Report on	a separate line	e for each cla	ass of sec	Code V urities bene		(D) med di	Price rectly o	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities I
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Springate Wayne S. 22 ST JAMES COURT PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106			Sr. VP of Operations				
Signatures							
Wayne S. Springate 0	8/16/2017						
**Signature of	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) This option is being issued in exchange for a voluntary 20% deduction in salary.

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