Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ZASLOFF MICHAEL A

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year) 06/24/2014

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [AMPH]

> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.. 11570 6TH STREET

(Street)

10% Owner _X_ Director Officer Other

(give title below) (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, Â CAÂ 91730

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(City)

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

8,682

Â D

Common Stock

5,457 (1)

Â D

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying

Conversion

Ownership

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Derivative Security (Instr. 5) or Exercise Form of

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
			Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/18/2015	Common Stock	38,462	\$ 11.68	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	10/03/2016	Common Stock	10,381	\$ 15.23	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/10/2016	Common Stock	37,994	\$ 14.23	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(2)	12/15/2017	Common Stock	78,624	\$ 10.77	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(3)	12/20/2018	Common Stock	29,278	\$ 14.66	D	Â

Reporting Owners

		Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		
ZASLOFF MICHAEL A C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	ÂX	Â	Â	Â		

Signatures

/s/Michael A. Zasloff, by Power of Attorney 06/24/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 represents deferred stock units that were granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vest on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) This option is fully vested and exercisable.
- (3) This option was granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vests on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to the reporting person's continued service on the Board of Directors of the Issuer through the vesting date.

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