

RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Maynard Ryan D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC
 [RIGL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS,
 INC., 1180 VETERANS BLVD.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/12/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP & CFO

SOUTH SAN
 FRANCISCO, CA 94080

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Common Stock	09/07/2012		M	V	23,302	A \$ 6.49	23,302	D	Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	09/07/2012		S		23,302	D \$ 10.6669	0	D	Beneficial Ownership

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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 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.49	09/12/2012		M	23,302	<u>(1)</u> 03/30/2019	Common Stock	23,302

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Maynard Ryan D RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 1180 VETERANS BLVD. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			EVP & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Dolly Vance
(Attorney-in-Fact) 09/14/2012

**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) The shares vest monthly over one(1) year from 3/30/09.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$10.50 to \$10.845, inclusive. Upon request, the Reporting Person undertakes to provide the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or Securities and Exchange Commission, full information regarding the shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (2) of this Form 4.

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