

Viking Therapeutics, Inc.  
Form 4  
April 30, 2015

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**SINGLETON J MATTHEW**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O VIKING THERAPEUTICS,  
INC., 11119 NORTH TORREY  
PINES ROAD, SUITE 50**

(Street)

**SAN DIEGO, CA 92037**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**Viking Therapeutics, Inc. [VKTX]**

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

**04/28/2015**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V Amount (D) Price                                                         |                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly 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<br>Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of<br>Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities | 8 |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|---|
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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)               | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) |     | (Instr. 3 and 4)    |                    | S<br>(          |                                     |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                      |                                                   |                         | Code               | V                                                                              | (A)              | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 8                                              | 04/28/2015              | A                  |                                                                                | 20,786           |     | <u>(1)</u>          | 04/28/2025         | Common<br>Stock | 20,786                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                                         | Relationships                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                        | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| SINGLETON J MATTHEW<br>C/O VIKING THERAPEUTICS, INC.<br>11119 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 50<br>SAN DIEGO, CA 92037 | X                                |

## Signatures

/s/ Brian Lian, Ph.D., as  
Attorney-in-Fact 04/30/2015

\*\*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).

100% of the shares subject to the option shall vest on the date of the Issuer's first Annual Meeting of Stockholders following the date of  
(1) grant, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service on the Issuer's Board of Directors through immediately prior to such Annual Meeting.

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