FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ANI PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ANIP] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | |
|---|---|------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|------|---------------------------|--|------------------|---|---|---|---|--|----|--|--|
| HOLUBOW FRED | | | | | _ ,, | | | | | | | . 1 | | X Directo | r | | 10% Ov | vner |
| (Last) | , | rst) (| Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/07/2016 | | | | | | | | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (specify below) | |
| 210 MAIN STREET WEST | | | | 4. | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) | ГТЕ М | N 5 | 56623 | | | | | | | Line | Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (St | tate) (| Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Non-D | erivativ | e Sec | curitie | s Ac | quired, | Dis | osed o | f, or B | ene | ficiall | y Owned | | | | |
| Date | | | Transaction te onth/Day/Y | Execution Date, | | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5) | | ities Acqı d Of (D) (I | | | Benefici Owned F | es ally Following | Form | : Direct r Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | t (A) or (D) | | Price | Reported Transact (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 04/07/ | | | 04/07/201 | 7/2016 | | A | | 1,000 | 1,000 A | | \$0.00 | 16 | 16,533 | | D | | | |
| | | Т | able II - Der (e.g | | | | | uired, D , option | | | | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | 3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y | Code | action (Instr. | n of E | | Expiration | . Date Exercisable and expiration Date Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | ly | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership tt (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisabl | | xpiration ate | Title | or Nu of | ımber | | | | | |
| Option to Purchase ⁽¹⁾ | \$40.59 ⁽²⁾ | 04/07/2016 | | A | | 2,000 | | 04/07/201 | 7 0 | 4/06/2026 | Commo Stock | ¹ 2, | ,000 | \$0.00 | 2,000 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On April 7, 2016, the Board of Directors of the Issuer approved the grant of restricted stock and stock options reported herein, both of which vest on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- $2. \ The \ closing \ price \ of \ the \ Issuer's \ common \ stock \ on \ The \ NASDAQ \ Global \ Market \ on \ the \ grant \ date.$

/s/ Fred Holubow

04/11/2016

** 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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