Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 4

August 19, 2014

if no longer

subject to

Section 16.

Form 4 or

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Check this box STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PRINS RICHARD K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[AMPH]

08/15/2014

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

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

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > (Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ 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

RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(State)

(City)

Common

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		,	· · · ·		Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 08/15/2014 P \$ 10 1,400 33,451 (1) Α

D Stock \$

Common 08/18/2014 P 2,600 10.03 36,051 D Α Stock (2)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PRINS RICHARD K C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

X

Signatures

/s/ Richard K.
Prins 08/19/2014

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- This includes 4,093 shares underlying deferred stock units that were granted on 12/20/2013 and fully vest on the first anniversary of the grant date. Such shares were previously reported on a separate line on the Reporting Person's Form 3 filed 6/24/14 but are now consolidated with the Reporting Person's other direct holdings for convenience.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were acquired in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$10.01 to \$10.05, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares acquired at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

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