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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Ty	pe Responses	s)													
Name and Address of Reporting Person * Goodwin Bradford S				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC [RIGL]						1	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
	7	(First) MACEUTICAL D.		3. Date o 05/17/2			nsact	ion (Month/Day/Year)			Officer (giv	e title below)	Other	(specify below)	
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(Cit	y)	(State)	(Zip)			Ta	ble I	- Non-Deri	vative Securiti	es Acquired	l, Disposed	of, or Bene	eficially Owner	i	
1.Title of S (Instr. 3)				Execution Date, if		Date, if C		8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		d OF	6. 7. Nature Ownership Form: Beneficial Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Reminder:	Report on a s	separate line for each		· Derivati	ive S	Securities	Acq	Persor in this display uired, Disp	s who respor form are not i is a currently osed of, or Ben onvertible secur	required to valid OME eficially Ow	respond control r	unless the		ed SEC 14'	74 (9-02)
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (Right	\$ 3.98	05/17/2018		A		40,000		<u>(1)</u>	05/17/2028	Common	n 40,000	\$ 0	40,000	D	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Goodwin Bradford S C/O RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 1180 VETERANS BLVD. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080	X						

Signatures

/s/Dolly Vance (Attorney-in-Fact)	05/18/2018
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 shall vest monthly over one (1) year from the date of grant subject to the reporting person's continuous service on the Company's Board of Directors.

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