FORM 4

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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 HENNER DENNIS	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC [RIGL]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) C/O MPM ASSET MANAO HUNTINGTON AVENUE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2005						Officer (give title below)	Other (spec	ify below)	
BOSTON, MA 02199	4. If Amendmen	t, Date Ori	ginal	Filed(Mon	th/Day/Y	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu						uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Ilisu. 3 and 4)	\ /	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		3,335	D	\$ 23.28	0	I	By Henner Irrevocable Trust
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		10,503	D	\$ 23.25	3,415	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		1,700	D	\$ 23.26	1,715	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		200	D	\$ 23.27	1,515	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		100	D	\$ 23.28	1,415	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		100	D	\$ 23.29	1,315	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		700	D	\$ 23.33	615	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		300	D	\$ 23.34	315	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		100	D	\$ 23.35	215	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		200	D	\$ 23.36	15	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005		S		15	D	\$ 23.4	0	D	
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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)	Conversion	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	•	5. Numl of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D (Instr 4, and	rative rities ired rosed) . 3,	6. Date Exer and Expirati (Month/Day	on Date /Year)	Date Amount of		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Reporting Owners

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HENNER DENNIS C/O MPM ASSET MANAGEMENT 111 HUNTINGTON AVENUE, 31ST FLOOR BOSTON, MA 02199	X						

Signatures

/s/ Dennis Henner	01/10/2005
**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).

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