FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Coughlin Timothy P</u> | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEUROCRINE BIOSCIENCES INC NBIX | | | | | | | eck all applic | cable) | | Issuer Owner er (specify | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 12780 EL CAMINO REAL | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2016 | | | | | | | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer | | | | |
| (Street) SAN DIEGO CA 92130 | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | Line | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (S | State) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tak | le I - Non | -Derivati | ve Se | ecurities | s Ac | quired, D | isposed | of, or Be | neficial | ly Owned | l , | | | |
| Date | | | | 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day | Execution Date, | | Code (Ins | | | | Benefici | es F ially (Following (| . Ownership form: Direct D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership | | |
| | | | | Code V | | | Amount | (A) o (D) | Price | Transact (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | Table II - D | | | | | uired, Dis , options, | | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | e Execution D | | Date, Transaction Code (Instr. | | n of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code | e V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Unit | (1) | 02/05/2016 | | А | V | 10,200 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 10,200 | \$0.00 | 10,200 | D | | |
| Stock Option | \$35.99 | 02/05/2016 | | A | V | 48,500 | | (3) | 02/05/2026 | Common Stock | 48,500 | \$0.00 | 48,500 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Unit | (1) | 02/05/2016 | | A | v | 20,500 | | (4) | 02/05/2020 | Common Stock | 20,500 | \$0.00 | 20,500 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Neurocrine Common Stock.
- 2. The Restricted Stock Units will vest annually at 1/4 of the units vesting on each of February 5, 2017, February 5, 2018, February 5, 2019, and February 5, 2020.
- 3. Represents option of which 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and exercisable on March 5, 2016 and an additional 1/48th of the shares underlying the option becomes vested and excercisable each month thereafter.
- 4. Performance Restricted Stock Units ("PRSU") will vest upon the date the Company has achieved both (1) obtaining positive pivotal clinical trial data for the treatment of Tourette syndrome with valbenazine and (2) FDA acceptance of a New Drug Application for the treatment of Tourette syndrome with valbenazine.

Remarks:

/s/Darin Lippoldt, Attorney-In-02/09/2016

Fact

** 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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