ALKERMES INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRATES JAMES M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALKERMES INC [ALKS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(see appearance)			
88 SIDNEY STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 09/17/2008	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, CFO & Treasurer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CAMBRIDGE	E, MA 02139)	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired of (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(1115tr. 5 trito +)		
Common Stock	09/17/2008		M	19,558	A	\$ 5.94	104,069	D	
Common Stock	09/17/2008		F/K	9,176	D	\$ 12.66	94,893	D	

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.94	09/17/2008		M		19,558	09/21/1999(1)	09/21/2008	Common Stock	19,55

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FRATES JAMES M 88 SIDNEY STREET CAMBRIDGE, MA 02139

SVP, CFO & Treasurer

09/19/2008

Signatures

Jennifer Baptiste, Attorney-in-Fact for James M. Frates

**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 option became exercisable in equal annual installments over a four-year period, at the rate of 25% per year commencing one year after the date of grant.

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