

INDEVUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 Person \*  
**BUTLER MARK S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**INDEVUS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [IDEV]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**33 HAYDEN AVENUE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/23/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Executive Vice President**

**LEXINGTON, MA 02421**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	12/23/2008		A <sup>(2)</sup>		5,000	A	\$ 2.375
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	12/23/2008		D <sup>(3)</sup>		5,000	D	\$ 2.7668

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 2.375	12/23/2008		M <sup>(1)</sup>	5,000	04/05/2001 <sup>(1)</sup> 04/05/2010	Common Stock, \$.001 par value	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BUTLER MARK S 33 HAYDEN AVENUE LEXINGTON, MA 02421			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

Mark S. Butler 12/29/2008

\*\*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) Represents exercise of stock option granted pursuant to the Company's 1994 Long-term Incentive Plan. This stock option is a portion of a stock option award that had incremental vesting and became fully exercisable on April 5, 2001.
- (2) Represents shares acquired from exercise of stock options granted pursuant to the Company's 1994 Long-term Incentive Plan.
- (3) Represents sale pursuant to a 10b5-1 Plan of common stock received following exercise of stock option as discussed in footnote 2.

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