FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WINGER DENNIS L						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AP PHARMA INC /DE/ [APPA]									heck all a	oplicable) ector		Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) A.P. PHARMA, INC. 123 SAGINAW DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2004											icer (give title ow)	belov	r (specify v)
(Street) REDWOOD CITY CA 94063				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) <mark>X</mark> Fo Fo	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans. Date (Month/I						ar)	Execution if any	A. Deemed execution Date, any month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disp Code (Instr. 5)		curities Acquired (A) osed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			d Secu Bend Own	nount of crities eficially ed Following orted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or D)	Price	Tran	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)		(msu. 4)
Common Stock 05/12/					2/2004						2,041		A	\$2.4	45	38,023	D	
Common Stock 05/12/					2/2004	/2004			A ⁽²⁾		1,351		A	\$3.3	33	39,374	D	
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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		n of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D (Inst	of		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Num of Sha	ber				

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Other acquisition from the issuer exempt under Rule 16b-3d. Shares acquired for fourth quarter fees for 2003.
- 2. Other acquisition from the issuer exempt under Rule 16b-3d. Shares acquired for first quarter fees for 2004.

By: Joanne Summy - Attorney- 05/12/2004 in-fact For: Dennis Winger

** 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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