Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF C	HANGES	IN BEN	IEFICIAL	OWNER	SHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Tierney David S</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KEMPHARM, INC [ KMPH ]								Relationship eck all applic  X Director	cable)	g Pers	son(s) to Issu 10% Ow	
(Last)	(F MPHARM	,	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/25/2015								Officer below)	r (give title )		Other (s below)	pecify
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s Silly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Exp Dat	piration te	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.02	08/25/2015			A		10,000		(1)	08/	/24/2025	Common Stock	10,000	\$0.00	10,000	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Grant to the Reporting Person of a stock option under the Issuer's 2014 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). One hundred percent (100%) of the shares subject to the option shall vest on the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the date of grant or (ii) one day prior to the date of the first annual meeting of the Issuer's stockholders following the date of grant, in each case subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service as of such date. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.

## Remarks:

James C.T. Linfield, Attorneyin-Fact for David S. Tierney

08/27/2015

\*\* 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).
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