FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* TRABER PETER G | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC [GALT] | | | | | | | | | | ck all applic Directo Officer | tionship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title | | 10% Ow Other (s | /ner |
|--|---|--|--|---------|--|--|--|----------|-----|------------------------------------|------|--|---|-----------|---|---|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4960 PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD., STE 240 | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/13/2018 | | | | | | | | | | below) | below) President & CEO | | | |
| (Street) NORCROSS GA 30071 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. 1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Line) | ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| | | Ta | ble I - Noi | n-Deriv | /ativ | re Se | curi | ities Ac | cqu | ired, C | Dis | posed c | of, or | 3en | eficially | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date | | | | | nsaction i | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | , | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | I (A) or 3, 4 and 5 | Beneficia Owned F | s ally ollowing | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | | | | | [| Code \ | / | Amount | (<i>A</i> |) or) | Price | Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a | on(s) | | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock 06/13, | | | | | | 18 | | | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 100,00 | 00 | A | \$0.87 | 207,333 | | | D | |
| Common Stock 06/13/ | | | | | 13/2018 | | | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100,00 | 00 | D | \$7.51 | 3) 107 | ,333 | | D | |
| | | | Table II - | | | | | | | | | osed of, onverti | | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/ | ate, Tr | ransaction ode (Instr. | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Ex | Date Exe piration I onth/Day | Date | | 7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4) | | es Security | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti | e s ally | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Co | ode | v | (A) | (D) | Dat | te ercisable | | xpiration ate | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Stock option (right to | \$0.87 | 06/13/2018 | | M | 1 ⁽¹⁾ | | Г | 100,000 | | (2) | 1 | 2/03/2026 | Comm Stock | | 100,000 | \$0 | 50,00 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reported transaction was made pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 28, 2018.
- 2. The options vested as follows: 25% on December 3, 2016, the grant date; 25% on July 1, 2017; and 50% on December 31, 2017.
- 3. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$7.00 to \$8.00. This amount represents the weighted average sale price of such transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

Remarks:

/s/ Jack Callicutt

06/15/2018

** 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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