### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RASTETTER WILLIAM H				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Cerulean Pharma Inc. [ CERU ]											p of Reportin blicable) ctor	g Perso	on(s) to Is				
	ULEAN P	HARMA INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/03/2016									Officer (give title below)			Other (specify below)		
	HOUSE D	RIVE			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) WALTHA	AM M	A (	02451												X		n filed by One n filed by Mor on		•		
(City)	(St	ate) (	(Zip)																		
		Tabl	le I - No	n-Deriva	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	uired	, Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	eficia	ally C	Owne	ed				
Date				2. Transac Date (Month/Da	Execution Da		Date,	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				and 5) Seco Ben Owr		cially d Following	Form: (D) or	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		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(IIISti. 4)				
Common Stock 10/0					3/2016				A		18,3820	18,382 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$		\$1.0	2(1) 78,689			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)	reirivative ecurity or Exercise nstr. 3)  Date (Month/Day/Year)  Price of Derivative Security  Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  8)		Code ( 8)	ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title		ount nber	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Dii or (I)	vnership rm: rect (D) Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Consists of shares of common stock issued in lieu of cash retainers for board and committee service in accordance with an election of the reporting person under the company's non-employee director compensation program. The number of shares is equal to the amount of the cash retainers that would otherwise have been payable to the reporting person for the third fiscal quarter of 2016 divided by \$1.02, the closing price of the company's common stock on the NASDAQ Global Market on October 3, 2016.

## Remarks:

/s/ Alejandra Carvajal, as attorney-in-fact for William H. 10/20/2016 Rastetter

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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