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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br><u>Evans Daron</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>C/O NILE THERAPEUTICS, INC.</u><br><u>2850 TELEGRAPH AVENUE, SUITE #310</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>BERKELEY CA 94705</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [ NILT.OB ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br>X Chief Financial Officer |
|  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>03/04/2008</u>                     |  |
|  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                                  |  |

**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) |
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|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price |   |  |   |

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |       |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  | Title |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$2.71   | 03/04/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 76,528   |     | (I)  | 09/17/2017      | Common Stock  | 76,528                                     | \$0  | 76,528  | D  |       |

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. On September 17, 2007, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase up to 288,458 shares of common stock of the Issuer. Up to 33.33% of the shares subject to the option may vest annually (or a pro rata portion thereof for a period of less than a full year) based on the achievement of certain performance milestones for each year (or a pro rata portion thereof for a period of less than a full year) following the date of grant as determined by the Board of Directors of the Issuer (the "Performance Options"). On March 4, 2008 the Issuer's Board of Directors determined that the Performance Options for the prorated period ending December 31, 2007 would vest in the amount of 76,528 shares.

Daron Evans

03/05/2008

\*\* 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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