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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lieu Hsiao</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [NLTX]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) C/O NILE TH	` ′	(First) (Middle) PEUTICS, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2011									Officer (give title Other (specibelow) below) VP, Clinical Research				
115 SANSOME STREET, SUITE #310						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) SAN FRANCISCO) CA	9	94104											X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)																				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Months							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 a				5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following I Transactio	y Owned Reported	Form	: Direct (D) lirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (/		Price	(Instr. 3 and				(1130.4)	
Common Stock														100			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. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code (Inst			5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		•	Securities Underly		erlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	e s ally	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	de			Date Exercisal		expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares		(Instr. 4		ion(s)				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.45						(1)		3/10/2018	Common Stock 20		200,000		200,000		D				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$4.45							(2)		3/10/2018		nmon ock	46,623		46,62	3	D			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$0.88								01/16/200	09 0	1/16/2019		nmon ock	31,103		31,10	13	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$1.14	01/03/2011			A		27,192		(3)	C	7/07/2019		nmon ock	128,442	\$0	128,44	42	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$0.301								(4)	C	7/08/2020		nmon ock	100,000		100,00	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Exercisable as to 50,000 shares on 3/10/09 and as to 4,167 shares each month thereafter for 36 months.
- 2. On 3/10/08, the Reporting Person was granted an option to purchase up to 100,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer. Up to 1/4 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 as determined by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the Committee") of the Issuer. On 1/19/09, the Committee determined that options for the prorated period ending 12/31/08 would vest in the amount of 9,123 shares, with options to purchase 11,151 shares being forfeited. On 1/19/10, the Committee determined that options for the period ending 12/31/09 would vest in the amount of 12,500 shares, with options to purchase 12,500 shares being forfeited. On 12/17/10, the Committee determined that options for the period ending 12/31/10 would vest in the amount of 25,000
- 3. On July 7, 2009, the Reporting Person was granted an option to purchase up to 150,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer, 37,500 of which were immediately exercisable. Vesting of 75,000 of the shares subject to the option was based on the achievement of certain performance milestones (or a pro rata portion thereof for a five-month period of such milestones) following the date of grant. On February 15, 2010, the Reporting Person's right to purchase 63,750 shares of such 75,000-share installment vested based on the achievement of such milestones; the remaining 11,250 shares of such installment were forfeited. Vesting of the final 37,500 shares of the total grant was subject to certain other performance milestones (or a pro rata portion thereof). On January 3, 2011, the Reporting Person's right to purchase 27,192 shares of such final 37,500-share installment vested based on the achievement of such milestones; the remaining 10,308 shares of such installment were forfeited.
- 4. This option vests in four equal quarterly installments over one year with the first installment vesting on September 30, 2010.

Remarks:

/s/ Daron Evans as Attorney-in-Fact for Hsiao D. Lieu pursuant to 01/05/2011 Power of Attorney previoulsy filed.

** 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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