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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Hayes Christopher G.				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Verrica Pharmaceuticals Inc.</u> [VRCA]								eck all applic Director	able)	10% (
(Last) (First) (Mide C/O VERRICA PHARMACEUTICALS 44 WEST GAY STREET, SUITE 400					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2023								X Oncer (give tue below) below) Chief Legal Officer						
(Street) WEST PA CHESTER			19380	4. If Ar	nendment,	Date	of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				Line	Line) X Form filed by 0			Group Filing (Check Applic by One Reporting Person by More than One Reportin				
(City) (State) (Zip)																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date				2. Transa	action 2A. Deemed Execution Date			e, 3. Transac Code (Ir 8)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		red (A) or str. 3, 4 and) or 4 and 5) 5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo Reported Transactio		s Form ally (D) of ollowing (I) (In ion(s)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Table II - I (spo	sed of,		eficially	(Instr. 3 a Owned	nd 4)	<u> </u>				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Co	nsactior le (Instr	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)					8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Co	le V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)					
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$7.58	03/01/2023		A		135,000		(1)	02	2/28/2033	Common Stock	135,000	\$0.00 135,00)00	D			

Explanation of Responses:

1. 25% of the total shares subject to the option shall vest on March 1, 2024 and 1/48th of the total shares subject to the option shall vest monthly thereafter over the remaining three years of the vesting period, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service through such vesting date.

Remarks:

/s/ Mark Ballantyne, Attorney-03/03/2023 in-Fact

** 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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