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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>RAI RAJAT</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1925 WEST FIELD COURT SUITE 300</u> (Street) <u>LAKE FOREST IL 60045</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AKORN INC [AKRX]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/05/2014</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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	09/05/2014		A		98,593	A	\$38.16	1,226,205	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2014		M		250,000	A	\$1	1,476,205	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2014 ⁽²⁾		S		147,000	D	\$36.78 ⁽³⁾	1,329,205 ⁽⁴⁾	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/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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$1	09/08/2014		M			250,000	06/08/2009	06/08/2019	Common Stock	250,000	\$0.00 ⁽⁵⁾	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The award was in the form of a grant of restricted shares, which will vest in four equal installments on September 5, 2015, September 5, 2016, September 5, 2017 and September 5, 2018.
- Proceeds from the sale were used to pay exercise price and taxes due upon exercise of options.
- Reflects the weighted average sale price of the shares sold. The shares were sold in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$36.43 to \$38.09 per share. The reporting person will provide to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at separate prices within the foregoing range.
- Amount of Shares Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction includes 124,864 unvested shares subject to a restricted stock award and 1,204,341 shares owned outright.
- There was no consideration given in exchange for the security.

/s/ Rajat Rai 09/09/2014

** 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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