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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lofton Kevin E

> (First) (Middle)

GILEAD SCIENCES, INC., 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

FOSTER CITY, CA 94404

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GILEAD SCIENCES INC [GILD]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

X_ Director

Issuer

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Officer (give title

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion

or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 65.69	05/09/2018		A		9,496		<u>(1)</u>	05/09/2028	Common Stock	9,496
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	05/09/2018		A		2,283		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,283

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Lofton Kevin E GILEAD SCIENCES, INC. 333 LAKESIDE DRIVE FOSTER CITY, CA 94404	X							

Signatures

/s/ Marissa Song by Power of Attorney for Kevin E. Lofton

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
- 25% of the shares subject to the option vest on each three-month anniversary measured from May 9, 2018 such that 100% of the shares(1) subject to the option will be fully vested and exercisable upon the earlier of May 9, 2019 or the day immediately preceding the next regular annual stockholders meeting.

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- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of Gilead Sciences, Inc.'s common stock.
- (3) 100% of the restricted stock units will vest upon the earlier of May 9, 2019, or the day immediately preceding the next regular annual stockholders meeting.

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