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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person<sup>\*</sup> 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCRX] Issuer PACE GARY W (Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director 10% Owner 06/03/2014 (Last) (First) (Middle) Officer (give Other (specify C/O PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 5 title below) below) SYLVAN WAY, SUITE 100 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check (Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) (Street) X Form filed by One Reporting Person PARSIPPANY NJ 07054 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip)

| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |   |      |                                   |  |  |    |   |  |   |  |  |
|--|--|---|------|-----------------------------------|--|--|----|---|--|---|--|--|
| 1. Title<br>of<br>Security<br>(Instr.<br>3)                                      | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code | Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |  | rities<br>d (A)<br>d of<br>, 4 a<br>(A)<br>or<br>(D) | or | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and<br>4) | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |

| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |   |                                    |   |   |     |  |                    |                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|---|------------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|--------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transac<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8 |   | 5.<br>Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) |     | 6. Date Exercisable<br>and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    |                 |  | 8. Price<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative<br>Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |  |   | Code                               | v | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |  |  |  |
| Stock Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)  | \$ 81   | 06/03/2014                                 |   | A                                  |   | 8,000   |     | (1)  | 06/03/2024         | Common<br>Stock | 8,000                                  | \$0  | 8,000  | D  |  |

**Explanation of Responses:** 

1. The stock option vests and becomes exercisable in twelve equal monthly installments beginning on July 3, 2014.

/s/ James Scibetta, Attorney-in-Fact \*\* Signature of Reporting Date Person

06/05/2014

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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