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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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>ABEL DOUGLAS</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O MANHATTAN PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</u> <u>48 WALL STREET, SUITE 1110</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10005</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MANHATTAN PHARMACEUTICALS</u> <u>INC [MHAN]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/03/2010</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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								55,000	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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Options	\$0.17							(1)	03/25/2018	Common Stock	1,300,000		1,300,000	D	
Warrant	\$0.2							(2)	09/10/2013	Common Stock	24,000		24,000	D	
Stock Options	\$0.07	03/03/2010		A ⁽³⁾		50,000		(4)	03/02/2020	Common Stock	50,000	\$0	50,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The option vested as to 433,333 shares on March 25, 2008 and as to an additional 433,334 shares on March 25, 2009. The remaining 433,334 shares are scheduled to vest on March 25, 2010.
- The warrants are exercisable immediately.
- On March 3, 2010, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 50,000 shares of common stock of Manhattan Pharmaceuticals, Inc. under the 2003 Stock Option Plan.
- The option is scheduled to vest (i) as to 16,667 shares on each of March 3, 2011 and March 3, 2012, and (ii) as to the remaining 16,666 shares on March 3, 2013.

Remarks:

/s/ Douglas Abel 03/10/2010
 ** 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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