FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* NEW ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATES 10 I P					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TARGACEPT INC [TRGT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)											all app	er (give title		X 10% C	wner (specify
(Last) 1119 ST.	(Fi	,	Middle)		04/	12/2	2006													
(Street)					4. If	Line									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
BALTIM			21202											Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transa	2. Transaction 2A Date Ex (Month/Day/Year) if a		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. S Transaction Dis Code (Instr. 5)		4. Securit	ecurities Acquired (A posed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			nd	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock 04/1				04/12	2/2006	5			P		350,000 A		A	\$	\$9		350,000		D	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date (Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date,		Transaction Code (Instr. B) Beriva Securr Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5)		rative rities ired r osed)	6. Date I Expirati (Month/I	on Dai		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4) Amou or Numb of Title Share		ount nber				,	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

In addition to the shares reported herein, the Reporting Person owns Series C Preferred Stock convertible into 2,913,512 common shares. These holdings have been previously reported. In addition to the shares reported herein, NEA Ventures 2002, L.P. owns Series C Preferred shares convertible into 3,154 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. The Reporting Person does not have voting nor dispositive powers over such shares. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of such portion of those shares in which the Reporting Person has no actual pecuniary interest therein.

> /s/ Louis S. Citron as General Counsel, New Enterprise 04/14/2006 <u>Associ</u>ates

** 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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