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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  TRAINOR III EUGENE A					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol TARGACEPT INC [ TRGT ]								heck al	nship of Repor I applicable) Director	ting P	Person(s) to Is			
				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/12/2006										Officer (give titl below)	e	Other below)	(specify		
(Street) BALTIM (City)		MD State)	21202 (Zip)		4. If								ne) <mark>X</mark> I	ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			id Se Be Ov	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned Following eported	Fo (D	Ownership orm: Direct O) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
								Code	v	Amount	(	A) or D)	Price	Tr	ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)	action(s)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 04/1				04/12	2/2006	2006		P		350,000		A	\$9	350,000			Ι	See Note 1 <sup>(1)</sup>	
	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  Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)			n Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5	derivative Securities	s S Ily	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The Reporting Person is a general partner of NEA Partners 10, Limited Partnership, which is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 10, Limited Partnership ("NEA 10"), the beneficial owner of the securities. 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 the shares in which the Reporting Person has no actual pecuniary interest therein.

### Remarks:

In addition to the shares reported herein, the Reporting Person indirectly owns Series C Preferred Stock convertible into 2,913,512 common shares which are beneficially owned by New Enterprise Associates 10, Limited Partnership ("NEA 10"). The Reporting Person is a general partner of NEA Partners 10, Limited Partnership, which is the sole general partner of NEA 10. These holdings have been previously reported. 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 these shares in which the Reporting Person has no actual pecuniary interest therein. 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, attorney-infact 04/14/2006

\*\* 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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