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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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GUSSIN ROBERT Z						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>PAIN THERAPEUTICS INC</u> [ptie]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2006									X Director Officer (give title below)			10% Owner Other (spec below)		
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Sileer)															X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					rting	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
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								Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tran	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
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)	Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate		and of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivativ Security		9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e Or s Fo dly Di or g (I)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Non- qualifying stock options ⁽¹⁾	\$8.22	05/25/2006			A		25,000		05/25/2007 ⁽¹⁾	0	5/25/2016	Common Stock	25,00	0 \$8.2	2	170,00	00	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock options vest over a four year period at a rate of 25% of the shares on the anniversary of the date of grant.

<u>/s/ Peter S. Roddy, by power of</u>

<u>attorney</u>

06/05/2006

** 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).

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