Silverberg Mark M Form 4 January 04, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Silverberg Mark M

(Middle) (First)

(Zip)

2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE

(Street)

BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AKORN INC [AKN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

Sr.VP,Global Qua Assurance &GM

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	-	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.25	01/01/2007		A		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	01/01/2012	Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Silverberg Mark M Sr.VP,Global 2500 MILLBROOK DRIVE Qua Assurance BUFFALO GROVE, IL 60089 &GM

Signatures

Mark M
Silverberg

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/04/2007

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The option vests in three annual installments with 16,667 vesting on January 1, 2008 and January 1, 2009, and 16,666 vesting on January 1, 2010.
- (2) There was no consideration given in exchange for the security.

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