

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /DE/  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BERK BERNARD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC /DE/ [ELI]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 165 LUDLOW AVENUE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/30/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**CEO and Chairman**

**NORTHVALE, NJ 06830**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 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. 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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 2.75	08/30/2005	A		30,000		<u>(1)</u>	08/30/2015	Common Stock	30,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BERK BERNARD C/O ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 165 LUDLOW AVENUE NORTHVALE, NJ 06830	X		CEO and Chairman	

## Signatures

/s/ Bernard J. Berk  
08/30/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
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) 1/3 of the options shall vest during the period commencing on August 30, 2006, 1/3 of all options shall vest during the period commencing on August 30, 2007 and the remaining 1/3 of the options shall vest during the period commencing on August 30, 2008.
- (2) This amount does not include 167,300 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.

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