#### **BERK BERNARD**

Form 4

September 07, 2005

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

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

**BERK BERNARD** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS INC

/DE/ [ELI]

(Month/Day/Year)

(First)

C/O ELITE PHARMACEUTICALS, 09/02/2005

INC., 165 LUDLOW AVENUE

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chief Exec Officer & Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

NORTHVALE, NJ 06830

(State) (Zip) (City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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 Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative Securities Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

Title and Amor Underlying Secur

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year		Code (Instr. 8)	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	Am Nui Sha
Option	\$ 2.69	09/02/2005		A	200,000		<u>(1)</u>	09/02/2015	Common Stock	90
Option	\$ 2.69	09/02/2005		A	400,000		(2)	09/02/2015	Common Stock	40
Option	\$ 2.15	06/23/2003		J		\$ 75,000 (3)	09/02/2005	06/22/2013	Common Stock	22

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# **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		Chief Exec Officer & Chairman		

# **Signatures**

/s/ Bernard J.
Berk

\*\*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) 100,000 of the options shall vest on September 2, 2006 and 100,000 of the options shall vest on September 2, 2007.
  - The options vest as follows: (i) 50,000 options upon the closing of each product license or product sale transaction (on a product by product basis and only once for each product) in which the Registrant receives an aggregate of at least \$5,000,000 in net cash proceeds (including royalties and signing, license and milestone payments) in connection with such product transaction; (ii) 10,000 options upon
- the filing by the Registrant (in the Registrant's name) with the United States Food and Drug Administration (the "FDA") of either an Abbreviated New Drug Application ("ANDA") or New Drug Application (including 505(b)(2) applications) ("NDA") for a product not covered by a previous FDA application; and (iii) 40,000 options s upon the approval by the FDA of any ANDA or NDA of the Registrant (filed in the Registrant's name) for a product not previously approved by the FDA; provided however, that on September 2, 2009 all unvested options shall terminate.
- The Reporting Person was granted 300,000 options of the Registrant on July 23, 2003 which would vest upon a Strategic Transaction.

  (3) The Registrant determined that a Strategic Transaction has occurred as of September 2, 2005. Furthermore, in connection with entering into an amended and restated employment agreement, the Reporting Person waived rights to 75,000 options.
- (4) In addition to the transactions described above, this amount also includes options to purchase 300,000 shares of common stock but does not include 167,300 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.

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