FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Pecora Andrew L				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NeoStem, Inc. [ NBS ]															
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEOSTEM, INC. 420 LEXINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 350					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2013								X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chief Medical Officer					
(Street) NEW Y(	ORK N	,				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							3. Indi Line) X	′					
		Ta	ble I - Non-De	rivati	ve Se	ecurities	s Acc	quired, I	Disp	oosed c	of, or Be	neficia	ally	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date			•			Date,	3. Transactio		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Securiti Benefic Owned		3	Form	: Direct I · Indirect I str. 4) (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price	e	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value <sup>(1)</sup> 01/03/				1/03/20	3/2013		A <sup>(1)</sup>		5,70	3 A \$0.		.61	2,077,981			D			
			Table II - Der (e.g								, or Ben ble secu			wned					
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion Date Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar	r		(Instr. 4)	ion(s)			
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.62	01/02/2013		A <sup>(2)</sup>		300,000		(2)	0	1/01/2023	Common Stock, par value \$0.001	300,0	00	\$0	300,00	00	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. On August 20, 2012, the Issuer's Board of Directors approved an arrangement whereby the Reporting Person shall receive his net salary for his three out of five day workweek through the issuance to him by the Issuer of shares of the Issuer's common stock at the then-market price at the time of issuance, under and subject to the terms and conditions of the Issuers' 2009 Equity Compensation Plan.

/s/ Catherine M. Vaczy, Esq., Attorney-in-Fact

01/04/2013

\*\* 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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<sup>2.</sup> On January 2, 2013 (the "Grant Date"), the Reporting Person was granted an option to purchase shares of the Issuer's common stock, subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Issuer's 2009 Amended & Restated Equity Compensation Plan. This option vests as follows: as to 20% of the shares on the Grant Date, and as to the remaining shares in 20% increments upon the achievement of certain specified business milestones