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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PARSHALL B LYNNE							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ISIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ISIS]									k all app	p of Reportin plicable)	ng Pe	rson(s) to Is	
															X X	Director Officer (give title			Other (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1896 RUTHERFORD ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2005									71	belov I	,	√ice	below) Vice President	
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
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		Tabl	e I - Nor	า-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quired	, Dis	posed o	f, o	r Bei	nefic	cially	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Code (Instr.						Securi Benefi Owned	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				Code	v	Amount			(A) or (D) Pr		ice	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 09/1						/2005 09/13/2			S ⁽¹⁾		500(1)		D	,	\$5.4	:	2,508		D	
Common Stock 09					14/2005		09/14/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		450(1)	D	\$	5.29	2,058			D	
Common Stock 09/15					5/2005		09/1	09/15/2005			200(1)	D		\$5.3	1,858			D	
Common Stock 09/15					5/2005		09/1	09/15/2005			200(1)	D	\$	5.25	1,658		D		
Common Stock 09/15/						2005 09/1		5/2005	S ⁽¹⁾	208(1)	D	\$	5.15	1,450			D	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
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Explanation of Responses:

1. The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on 9-30-04.

Remarks:

/s/B. Lynne Parshall

09/15/2005

** 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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