WALSER BRYAN L

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WALSER BRYAN L

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

CHIRON CORP [CHIR] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

4560 HORTON STREET

(Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2006

Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

below) V.P., Strategy & Corp. Affairs

Director

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (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 Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

(A)

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

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

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Price of (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title Amoun Date or Numbe of Shares Restricted Common $A^{(3)}$ 02/17/2007(4) 02/16/2010 Stock (2) 02/17/2006 1,600 1,600 Stock Units (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WALSER BRYAN L 4560 HORTON STREET EMERYVILLE, CA 94608

V.P., Strategy & Corp. Affairs

Signatures

Bryan L. Walser by Naima Robinson as Atty-in-Fact

02/22/2006

**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).

Each unit pertains to one share of the Issuer's common stock and may be settled either in cash or in stock based on date on which settlement occurs. Settlement will occur as the units vest, and to the extent such settlement occurs prior to the closing of the acquisition of

- (1) the Issuer by Novartis AG, the payment will be made in shares of the Issuer's common stock; otherwise, the units will be assumed by Novartis and payment will be made in cash based on the consideration paid per share of the Issuer's common stock in the Novartis acquisition.
- (2) One-for-One
- (3) Shares of the Issuer's common stock which become issuable upon the vesting of the units will be withheld by the Issuer in satisfaction of the applicable withholding taxes, unless the Reporting Person elects to pay such taxes in cash.

The units will vest in four equal, successive annual installments upon the Reporting Person's completion of each year of employment with the Issuer over the four-year period measured from the Grant Date. However, the units will vest in full on an accelerated basis upon an

(4) acquisition of the Issuer by a merger or asset sale in which the units are not assumed or upon the termination of the Reporting Person's employment with the Issuer under certain prescribed circumstances following certain changes in control or ownership of the Issuer (including the Novartis acquisition) in which the units are assumed.

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