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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>BARRIS PETER J</b>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <b>04/11/2006</b>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>TARGACEPT INC [ TRGT ]</b>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(Last) (First) (Middle) <b>1119 ST. PAUL STREET</b>			
(Street) <b>BALTIMORE MD 21202</b>			
(City) (State) (Zip)			

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	1,000	I	See footnote <sup>(3)</sup>

## Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Series C Preferred Stock	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	2,913,512	(1)	I	See Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/28/2003	03/28/2013	Common Stock	3,333	0.075	I	See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/11/2003	06/11/2013	Common Stock	1,000	0.075	I	See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	06/07/2005	(4)	Common Stock	1,000	0.075	I	See Footnote <sup>(3)</sup>

## Explanation of Responses:

- The Series C Preferred Stock is convertible at any time, at the holder's election, and will convert automatically into Common Stock immediately upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering for no consideration.
- The Reporting Person is a general partner of NEA Partners 10, Limited Partnership, which is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 10, Limited Partnership ("NEA 10"), the beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of the securities held by NEA 10, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- The Reporting Person is a member of New Enterprise Associates, LLC, which is the sole owner of NEA Development Corp., the beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of the securities held by NEA Development Corp., except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- This stock option expires on the later of (a) the date that is two and one-half months following the end of the first taxable year of NEA Development Corp. during which the option vests, or (b) the date that is two and one-half months following the end of the Issuer's taxable year in which the option vests, and in no event after March 15, 2007.

## Remarks:

In addition to the shares reported herein, NEA Ventures 2002, L.P. owns Series C Preferred shares convertible into 3,154 shares of Common Stock of the Issuer. The Reporting Person does not have voting nor dispositive powers over such shares. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, of such portion of those shares in which the Reporting Person has no actual pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ Louis S. Citron by Power of Attorney 04/11/2006

\*\* 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 5 (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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