

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Shah Gaurav</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ROCKET PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.</u> <u>430 EAST 29TH STREET, SUITE 1040</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10016</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/04/2018</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROCKET PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [RCKT]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>See Remarks</u>	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

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)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>761,850⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>D</u>	

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				
<u>Stock Option (Right to Buy)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>12/15/2025</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>380,925⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>0.44</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Stock Option (Right to Buy)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>04/12/2027</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>152,370⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>D</u>

Explanation of Responses:

- All numbers give effect to the 1:4 reverse stock split effected by the Issuer on January 4, 2018.
- This option represents a right to purchase a total of 380,925 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock 127,381 of which became fully vested and exercisable on December 15, 2016, with the remaining 253,544 shares vesting in equal quarterly installments over the following two years, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the Issuer.
- This option represents a right to purchase a total of 152,370 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock 51,196 of which will become fully vested and exercisable on April 12, 2018, with the remaining 101,174 shares vesting in equal quarterly installments over the following two years, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the Issuer.

Remarks:

President and Chief Executive Officer Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Alice Lee, as attorney-in-fact for Gaurav Shah 01/16/2018

** 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Ryan A. Murr and Alice Lee as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes, passwords, and passphrases enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and director of Rocket Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any securities exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to the attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned also ratifies hereby any action previously taken by the attorney-in-fact that would have been authorized by this power of attorney if it has been in effect at the time such action was taken. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of December 20, 2017.

/s/ Gaurav Shah

Name: Gaurav Shah