UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 to FORM S-3 **REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-227353** POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 to FORM S-3 **REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-105985**

> **UNDER** THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

VIVUS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

94-3136179 **Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

900 E. Hamilton Avenue, Suite 550 Campbell, CA 95008 (650) 934-5200

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant's principal executive offices)

Mark K. Oki

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer VIVUS, Inc.

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emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth

company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. Large accelerated filer □ Accelerated filer □ Non-accelerated filer x Smaller reporting company x Emerging growth company □

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of Securities Act. \square

EXPLANATORY NOTE

DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES

VIVUS, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), is filing these Post-Effective Amendments (these "Post-Effective Amendments") to the following Registration Statements (collectively, the "Registration Statements") on Form S-3 previously filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") (share numbers set forth below do not give effect to corporate actions, such as stock splits, effected subsequent to the filing of each such Registration Statement):

- Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-227353), filed with the SEC on September 14, 2019, registering \$200,000,000 in aggregate of the Company's (1) common stock, par value \$0.001 per share ("Common Stock"), (2) preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share, (3) debt securities, (4) warrants and (5) units, each as described in such registration statement; and
- Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-105985), filed with the SEC on June 10, 2003, registering 4,375,000 shares of Common Stock.

On July 7, 2020, the Company and all of its subsidiaries (together with the Company, the "Debtors") filed voluntary petitions for reorganization under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Bankruptcy Court"). On December 10, 2020, the Bankruptcy Court approved the Second Amended Joint Prepackaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of VIVUS, Inc. and Its Affiliated Debtors (the "Plan"), and on December 11, 2020 (the "Effective Date"), the Plan became effective pursuant to its terms. All previously issued and outstanding equity interests in the Company were automatically cancelled and extinguished as of the Effective Date.

As a result of the Chapter 11 Cases, the Company has terminated all offerings of securities pursuant to the Registration Statements. In accordance with an undertaking made by the Company in the Registration Statements to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities registered for issuance that remain unsold at the termination of each such offering, the Company hereby removes from registration by means of these Post-Effective Amendments all securities registered but unsold or otherwise unissued, if any, under the Registration Statements as of the date of effectiveness of these Post-Effective Amendments. The Registration Statements are hereby amended, as appropriate, to reflect the deregistration of such securities, and the Company hereby terminates the effectiveness of the Registration Statements.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused these Post-Effective Amendments to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Campbell, State of California, on December 29, 2020.

VIVUS, INC.

By: /s/ Mark K. Oki

Name: Mark K. Oki

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Chief

Accounting Officer

No other person is required to sign these Post-Effective Amendments in reliance on Rule 478 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.