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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| | ss of Reporting Perso | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VIVUS INC</u> [VVUS] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------|--|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| (Last) 1172 CASTRO | (First) STREET | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/17/2011 | X | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | | |
| (Street) MOUNTAIN VIEW | CA | 94040 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Per Form filed by More than One Re Person | | eporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. | ction | · | Acquired (D) (Instr. | | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------|-------|--------|-------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-------|-----|--|--------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$7.67 | 06/17/2011 | | A | | 8,000 | | (1) | 06/17/2021 | Common Stock | 8,000 | \$0 | 8,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in eight equal monthly installments beginning on 7/1/11.

Remarks:

See continuation page(s) for footnotes

/s/ Julie Hollenback, by power 06/20/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

of attorney

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).

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