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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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*  LOGAN MARK B  (Last) (First) (Middle)  |   |  |  |      |         | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VIVUS INC [ VVUS ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2010 |        |     |  |          |               |   |  | eck all app  X Direc   | icable)<br>or<br>r (give title   | ig Pers        | 10% Ow<br>Other (s<br>below)   | ner   |  |
|--|---|--|--|------|---------|--|--------|-----|--|----------|---------------|---|--|--|--|----------------|--|---|--|
| 1172 CASTRO STREET   |   |  |  |      | L       | 4. If Amendment, Date of 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 |  |                |  |   |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |   |  |  |      |         |  |        |     |  |          |               |   |  |  |  |                |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da                       |   |  |  |      | action  | ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,   |        |     | 3. 4. Securitie<br>Transaction Disposed (Code (Instr. 5) |          |               | ities Acquired (A) od Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |  | 5. Amo<br>Securit<br>Benefic<br>Owned<br>Reporte   | unt of 6. (es Fo (D) (I) (I) (I)   |                | n: Direct<br>r Indirect<br>str. 4)                                       | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |  |  |      |         |  |        |     | Code   | <u> </u> | Amount        | (A) or<br>(D)                             | Price                                  | Transa<br>(Instr. 3  | iion(s)<br>and 4)  |                |  |   |  |
|  |   | -  | Table II - I<br>(                                      |      |         |  |        |     | uired, Dis<br>, options                                  |          |               |   |  | Owned  |  |                |  |   |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                              | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Dat<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Ye | ate, | Code (I |  | of     |     | 6. Date Exercisi<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Yea    |          | of Securities |   | ies<br>g<br>Security                   | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)  | 9. Numbe<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficia<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transacti<br>(Instr. 4) | e<br>s<br>Illy | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                             |  |
|  |   |  |  |      | Code    | v  | (A)    | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                                      |          | opiration     | Title                                     | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |  |  |                |  |   |  |
| Non-<br>Qualified<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                        | \$8.91  | 01/22/2010                                 |  |      | A       |  | 25,000 |     | (1)  | 01       | ./22/2020     | Common<br>Stock                           | 25,000                                 | \$0  | 25,00  | 0              | D  |   |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in eight equal monthly installments beginning on February 1, 2010.

/s/ Julie Hollenback, by power of attorney 01/26/2010

\*\* 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 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).

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### POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, as a Section 16 reporting person of VIVUS, Inc. (the "Company"), hereby constitutes and appoints Timothy Morris, Lee B. Perry, John Slebir and Julie Hollenback the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact to:

- 1. complete and execute Forms 4 and 5 and other forms and all amendments thereto as such attorneys-in-fact shall in their discretion determine to be required or advisable pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (as amended) and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, or any successor laws and regulations, as a consequence of the undersigned's ownership, acquisition or disposition of securities of the Company; and
- 2. do all acts necessary in order to file such forms with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any securities exchange or national association, the Company and such other person or agency as the attorneys-in-fact shall deem appropriate.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that said attorneys-in-fact and agent shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-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 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 Company and the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 21st day of January, 2010.

Signature: /s/ Mark B. Logan

Name: Mark B. Logan