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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Addre | 1 0 | Person* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>VIVUS INC</u> [VVUS] | (Checl | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---|-------------------|--|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| WILSON ELEMIND I | | | | | Director | 10% Owner | | | | |
| | | | — | | Officer (give title | Other (specify | | | | |
| (Last) | t) (First) (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) | | below) | below) | | | | |
| 1172 CASTRO STREET | | | 09/09/2009 | | President & CEO | | | | | |
| (Street) MOUNTAIN | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| VIEW | CA | 94040 e) (Zip) | | X | Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| | | | | | Form filed by More than One Report Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | | | | | | | | | |

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 (Month/Day/Year) | Code (| 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and le (Instr. | | Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Securities Form: Beneficially (D) or | | 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) | | (1150. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 09/09/2009 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100,000 | D | \$10.95 | 203,609 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/09/2009 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 50,000 | D | \$ <mark>11</mark> | 153,609 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/09/2009 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 50,000 | D | \$12 | 103,609 | D | | | |

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

| | (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. Transac Code (lı 8) | | 5. Nur of Deriva Secur Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5 | ative ities ired sed 3, 4 | 6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | Expiration Date A (Month/Day/Year) Si U D | | and t of ies ying ive y (Instr. 3 | 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) |
| | | | | | | | | | | | Amount or Number | | | | |

Date

Exercisable

Expiration

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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1. The sales reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 12, 2009.

Code V

(A) (D)

> By: Kate Higgins For: Leland 09/11/2009 **Wilson**

of

Shares

Title

** 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).

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