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SECURITIES

1(b).

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Roberts Eric W

(First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O VIVUS, INC., 351 EAST **EVELYN AVENUE**

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VIVUS INC [VVUS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2016

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/15/2016		M	1,389	A	(1)	33,876	D		
Common Stock	12/15/2016		D(2)	539	D	\$ 1.38	33,337	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/15/2016		M	1,389	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,389	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Roberts Eric W C/O VIVUS, INC. 351 EAST EVELYN AVENUE MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041	X					

Signatures

/s/ Julie Hollenback, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Restricted stock units converted into VIVUS, Inc. common stock on a 1-for-1 basis upon vesting.
- (2) The reporting person did not sell or otherwise dispose of any of the shares reported on this Form 4 for any reason other than by way of forfeiture to VIVUS, Inc. in order to cover estimated tax liability.
- The restricted stock units vest according to the following schedule: 8/36ths of the total restricted stock units originally granted vested on (3) May 15, 2016, and an additional 1/36th of the total restricted stock units originally granted vest on the 15th of each month thereafter, subject to the individual continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.

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