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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Ferrell Karen E.		(Month/Day/Year)	VIVUS INC [VVUS]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
C/O VIVUS, INC.,Â 900 E.		10/26/2018		
HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
CAMPBELL,Â CAÂ 95008			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)	(specify below)
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
No securities are beneficially owned	0	D	Â

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	1	2	Common Stock 22,500 \$ 3.53	D

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Ferrell Karen E. C/O VIVUS, INC. 900 E. HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550 CAMPBELL, CA 95008	X			

Signatures

/s/ Julie Hollenback,
Attorney-in-Fact
Date: 10/29/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
One thirty-sixth (1/36th) of the total number of shares underlying the option vest and become exercisable on the 26th of each month following October 26, 2018, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2018 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.
- (2) The option expires on the earlier of (a) October 26, 2025 and (b) the six (6) month anniversary of the date the reporting person ceases to be a Service Provider.

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