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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MARSH GUY P Issuer Symbol VIVUS INC [VVUS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 1172 CASTRO STREET 09/30/2009 below) VP, Operations & General Mgr. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94040

(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 (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired for(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/30/2009		M	547	A	\$ 3.13	4,248	D	
Common Stock	09/30/2009		S <u>(1)</u>	547	D	\$ 10.84	3,701	D	
Common Stock	09/30/2009		M	1,193	A	\$ 4.25	4,894	D	
Common Stock	09/30/2009		S(1)	1,193	D	\$ 10.84	3,701	D	
Common Stock	09/30/2009		M	890	A	\$ 4.25	4,591	D	

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D \$ 3,701 Common 09/30/2009 $S^{(1)}$ D Stock

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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.13	09/30/2009		M	547	(2)	01/30/2016	Common Stock	547
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.25	09/30/2009		M	1,193	<u>(3)</u>	01/29/2017	Common Stock	1,19
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.25	09/30/2009		M	890	<u>(3)</u>	01/29/2017	Common Stock	890

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

MARSH GUY P 1172 CASTRO STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94040

VP, Operations & General Mgr.

Signatures

By: Kate Higgins For: Guy 10/02/2009 Marsh

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

2 Reporting Owners

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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) The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 12, 2009.
- (2) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option became exercisable on 1/30/07 and one forty-eighth of the shares become exercisable monthly thereafter.
- (3) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option became exercisable on 1/29/08 and one forty-eighth of the shares become exercisable monthly thereafter.

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