NORDHOFF HENRY L

Form 4 June 21, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NORDHOFF HENRY L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First) (Middle) GEN PROBE INC [GPRO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED, 10210

06/20/2005

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

President and CEO

GENETIC CENTER DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City)

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| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | | 3. | 4. Secur | | | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | |
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | ` ′ | | ` ′ | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (Instr. 3, | 4 and | . 3) | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | (1) | | Reported | | |
| | | | | | (A) | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | $\alpha + w$ | | or | ъ. | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (D) | Price | | | |
| Common | 06/20/2005 | | M | 4,000 | ٨ | \$ | 71,547 | D | |
| Stock | 00/20/2003 | | 1V1 | 4,000 | A | 12.29 | /1,54/ | D | |
| ~ | | | | | | Φ. | | | |
| Common | 06/20/2005 | | S (1) | 4,000 | D | \$ | 67,547 | D | |
| Stock | 00/20/2003 | | <u> </u> | 7,000 | D | 38.75 | 01,541 | 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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---------|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 12.29 | 06/20/2005 | | M | 4,000 | (2) | 06/01/2012 | Common Stock | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Keiationsinps | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

NORDHOFF HENRY L
GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED
10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE
SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ R. William Bowen, Attorney-in-Fact 06/21/2005

**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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 15, 2003.
- (2) Option vests as follows: 25% vest on 6/1/03; 1/48th vesting monthly following three years.

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