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FORM 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O GEN-PROBE **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE**

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GEN PROBE INC [GPRO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities

(Instr. 8)

Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of 8. l Underlying Securities

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10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Issuer

below)

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INCORPORATED, 10210

(Street)

(State)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

(City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or

Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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1. Title of

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities (Month/Day Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		/Year) (Instr. 3 a		d 4)	S	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 82.87	05/19/2011		A	7,500		(1)	05/19/2018	Common Stock	7,500	

(In

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Shapiro Lucy C/O GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X					

Signatures

/s/ R. William Bowen, Attorney-in-Fact 05/23/2011

**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 shares subject to the stock option vest in 12 equal monthly installments.

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