GEN PROBE INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

GEN-PROBE

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HULL CARL**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Zip)

GEN PROBE INC [GPRO]

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Chairman and CEO

02/16/2012

INCORPORATED, 10210 **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/16/2012		M(1)	12,083	A	\$ 43.72	59,050	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2012		S(1)	12,083	D	\$ 69.14 (2)	46,967	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.72	02/16/2012		M(1)	12,083	(3)	05/18/2016	Common Stock	12,083

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting 6 wher runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HULL CARL GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X		Chairman and CEO			

Signatures

/s/ R. William Bowen,
Attorney-in-Fact
02/17/2012

**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 transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person in December 2011.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$68.75 to \$69.42. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for these transactions. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the reported transactions were effected.
- (3) 25% of the shares subject to the stock option vested and became exercisable on May 18, 2010 and the remaining shares subject to the stock option vest and become exercisable in equal monthly installments over the following three years.

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