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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

À ASTRUE MICHAEL J

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/19/2013

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VIVUS INC (VVUS)

4. Relationship of Reporting

(give title below) (specify below)

C/O VIVUS, INC., 351 EAST

EVELYN AVENUE

(Street)

(Check all applicable) _X_ Director

Officer

Person(s) to Issuer

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

MOUNTAIN VIEW. CAÂ 94041

(City)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Form:

(I) (Instr. 5)

Ownership

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect

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)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

Exercisable

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date **Expiration Title**

Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Security: Derivative Security Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ASTRUE MICHAEL J

C/O VIVUS, INC.

351 EAST EVELYN AVENUE

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CAÂ 94041

Signatures

/s/ Julie Hollenback, by power of attorney

07/29/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).
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