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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

A Varghese Santosh T

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/28/2015

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

VIVUS INC (VVUS)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

VP, Medical & Reg Affairs

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O VIVUS, INC., 351 E. **EVELYN AVENUE**

(Street)

Director _X__ Officer

10% Owner Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

MOUNTAIN VIEW. CAÂ 94041

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

49,133 (2) Common Stock (1)

D

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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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

2. Date Exercisable and

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security**

Conversion Price of Derivative

Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

or Exercise (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4) Title

Security: Direct (D) Security

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | Amount or Number of Shares | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | (3) | 01/28/2021 | Common Stock | 34,000 | \$ 7.75 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | (4) | 01/23/2022 | Common Stock | 139,700 | \$ 2.74 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | (5) | 04/25/2022 | Common Stock | 200,000 | \$ 24.23 | D | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | (6) | 01/25/2023 | Common Stock | 52,500 | \$ 12.39 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|--|--|
| - | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Varghese Santosh T C/O VIVUS, INC. 351 E. EVELYN AVENUE MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94041 | Â | Â | VP, Medical & Reg Affairs | Â | | |

Signatures

/s/ John Slebir, by power of attorney 04/29/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of VIVUS, Inc. common stock.
- The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes awards totaling 48,400 restricted stock units ("RSUs"), 35,475 of which are unvested. The RSUs vest on various dates between January 1, 2014 and January 1, 2019, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.
- Twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of shares underlying the option vested and became exercisable on January 28, 2015, and one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the total number of shares underlying the option will vest on the 28th of each month thereafter, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.
- Twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of shares underlying the option will vest and become exercisable on January 23, 2016, and (4) one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the total number of shares underlying the option will vest on the 23rd of each month thereafter, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.
- Twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of shares underlying the option vested and became exercisable on March 19, 2013, and (5) one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the total number of shares underlying the option will vest on the 19th of each month thereafter, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.
- Twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of shares underlying the option vested and became exercisable on January 25, 2014, and one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the total number of shares underlying the option will vest on the 25th of each month thereafter, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.

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