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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NORTH TIDE CAPITAL, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

VIVUS INC [VVUS]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

(Check all applicable)

500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE

(Street)

1860

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

03/29/2016

Applicable Line)

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below)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities oner Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Î))	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	03/29/2016		P	11,000	A	\$ 1.1312	13,213,000	I	See Footnote (1) (2) (3)
Common Stock	03/29/2016		P	100,000	A	\$ 1.214	13,313,000	I	See Footnote (1) (2) (3)
Common Stock	03/30/2016		P	100,000	A	\$ 1.2545	13,413,000	I	See Footnote (1) (2) (3)
Common Stock	03/31/2016		P	172,300	A	\$ 1.3594	13,585,300	I	See Footnote

(1)(2)(3)

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of rlying	8. Price o Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NORTH TIDE CAPITAL, LLC 500 BOYLSTON STREET SUITE 1860 BOSTON, MA 02116		X				
North Tide Capital Master, LP 500 BOYLSTON STREET SUITE 1860 BOSTON, MA 02116		X				
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Signatures

/s/ NORTH TIDE CAPITAL MASTER, LP, by North Tide Capital GP, LLC, Conan Laughlin, Manager

03/31/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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/s/ NORTH TIDE CAPITAL, LLC by Conan Laughlin, Manager

03/31/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Conan Laughlin, Individually

03/31/2016

**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).
 - Shares reported herein represent: as of March 29, 2016, (i) 11,734,750 shares held by North Tide Capital Master, LP (the "Master Fund") and (ii) 1,578,250 shares held by a managed account (the "Account); as of March 30, 2016, (i) 11,809,750 shares held by the Master Fund
- (1) and (ii) 1,603,250 shares held by the Account. North Tide Capital, LLC ("North Tide") serves as investment manager for the Master Fund and the Account; and as of March 31, 2016, (i) 11,938,975 shares held by the Master Fund and (ii) 1,646,325 shares held by the Account. Mr. Laughlin serves as manager of North Tide.
 - Of the shares purchased on March 29, 2016 at a price of \$1.1323 per share, 8,250 shares were held for the account of the Master Fund, 2,750 shares were held for the account of the Account; and of the shares purchased on March 29, 2016 at a price of \$1.214 per share,
- (2) 75,000 shares were held for the account of the Master Fund, 25,000 shares were held for the account of the Account. Of the shares purchased on March 30, 2016, 75,000 shares were held for the account of the Master Fund, 25,000 shares were held for the account of the Account. Of the shares purchased on March 31, 2016, 129,225 shares were held for the account of the Master Fund, 43,075 shares were held for the account of the Account. All of such shares may be deemed beneficially owned by North Tide and Mr. Laughlin.
- Each of the Reporting Persons disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reported herein except to the extent of its or his pecuniary (3) interest therein, and the filing of this Form 4 shall not be construed as an admission that any of the Reporting Persons is the beneficial owner of any such shares for purposes of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose.

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