

VIVUS INC

Form 4

September 02, 2009

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MARSH GUY P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1172 CASTRO STREET

(Street)

MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94040

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

VIVUS INC [VVUS]

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

08/31/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)

VP, Operations & General Mgr.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/31/2009		M		547	A	\$ 3.13
Common Stock	08/31/2009		S ⁽¹⁾		547	D	\$ 6.27
Common Stock	08/31/2009		M		1,194	A	\$ 4.25
Common Stock	08/31/2009		S ⁽¹⁾		1,194	D	\$ 6.27
Common Stock	08/31/2009		M		889	A	\$ 4.25

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Common Stock 08/31/2009 S⁽¹⁾ 889 D \$ 6.27 3,701 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities (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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.13	08/31/2009		M	547	<u>(2)</u> 01/30/2016	Common Stock	547
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.25	08/31/2009		M	1,194	<u>(3)</u> 01/29/2017	Common Stock	1,194
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.25	08/31/2009		M	889	<u>(3)</u> 01/29/2017	Common Stock	889

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MARSH GUY P 1172 CASTRO STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94040	VP, Operations & General Mgr.

Signatures

By: Kate Higgins For: Guy Marsh 09/02/2009

____ 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 sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 12, 2009.
- (2) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option became exercisable on 1/30/07 and one forty-eighth of the shares become exercisable monthly thereafter.
- (3) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares subject to the option became exercisable on 1/29/08 and one forty-eighth of the shares become exercisable monthly thereafter.

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