MILLER MICHAEL /NY/

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MILLER MICHAEL /NY/ Issuer Symbol VIVUS INC (VVUS) (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1172 CASTRO STREET 01/27/2012 below) Chief Commercial Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94040 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common $5,755 \frac{(1)}{2}$ D

Stock

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)

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I	. 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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
5	ncentive Stock Option right to buy)	\$ 12.04	01/27/2012		A	9,357	(2)	01/27/2022	Common Stock	9,3
5	Non-Qualified Stock Option right to buy)	\$ 12.04	01/27/2012		A	80,643	(2)	01/27/2022	Common Stock	80,6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MILLER MICHAEL /NY/ 1172 CASTRO STREET MOUNTAIN VIEW, CA 94040

Chief Commercial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Julie Hollenback, by power of attorney

01/31/2012

**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) Includes 3,322 shares acquired on May 13, 2011 and 429 shares acquired on November 14, 2011 under the VIVUS, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) Twenty-five percent (25%) of the total number of shares become exercisable on 01/27/2013 and one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the total number of shares become exercisable on the 27th of each month thereafter.

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