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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Roberts Eric W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

VIVUS INC (VVUS)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

10/26/2018

HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

(Street)

C/O VIVUS, INC., 900 E.

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

CAMPBELL, CA 95008 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

2. Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.53	10/26/2018		A		15,000		<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	15,000

Deletionships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships								
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
oberts Eric W									
O VIVUS INC									

Roberts Eric W C/O VIVUS, INC. 900 E. HAMILTON AVE., SUITE 550 CAMPBELL, CA 95008

X

Signatures

/s/ Julie Hollenback, Attorney-in-Fact

10/29/2018

**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).
- One twelfth (1/12th) of the total number of shares underlying the option vest and become exercisable on the 26th of each month following (1) October 26, 2018, subject to the reporting person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Issuer's 2018 Equity Incentive Plan) on the relevant vesting dates.
- (2) The option expires on the earlier of (a) October 26, 2025 and (b) the six (6) month anniversary of the date the reporting person ceases to be a Service Provider.

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