GEN PROBE INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CONWAY NIALL M | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GEN PROBE INC [GPRO] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) |) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | (Check an applicable) | | | |
| 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE | | R DRIVE | (Month/Day/Year) 08/06/2007 | Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| SAN DIEGO, | CA 92121 | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivative | Secui | rities 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. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (| ` ' | 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 | 08/06/2007 | | M | 36,750 | A | \$ 29.525 | 54,924 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/06/2007 | | M | 35,416 | A | \$ 36.59 | 90,340 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/06/2007 | | S | 72,166 | D | \$ 64.4493 | 18,174 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 260 | I | By Wife |

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 Expiration Da Securities (Month/Day/Y Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 36.59 | 08/06/2007 | | M | 35,416 | <u>(1)</u> | 09/13/2014 | Common Stock | 35,416 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 29.525 | 08/06/2007 | | M | 36,750 | (2) | 08/15/2013 | Common Stock | 36,750 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CONWAY NIALL M 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ R. William Bowen,
Attorney-in-Fact
08/08/2007

**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) 25% of the shares subject to the Stock Option vested on September 13, 2005; the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments, such that the entire Stock Option will be vested and exercisable on September 13, 2008.

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(2) 25% of the shares subject to the Stock Option vested on August 15, 2004; the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments, such that the entire Stock Option will be vested and exercisable on August 15, 2007.

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