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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

 EDELMAN JOSEPH

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BIOENVISION INC (BIVN)

C/O FIRST NEW YORK SECURITIES, LLC, 850

THIRD AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR

(Street)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/17/2007

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting

Person

See footnote (3)

X Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

NEW YORK. NYÂ 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Common Stock (1)

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2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

376,083 (3)

3. Ownership (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D)

or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

 $6,287,000^{(2)}$ Ι See footnote (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

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

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

Conversion

Ownership

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5)

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Price of Derivative (Instr. 4) Derivative Security: Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Security Direct (D) Exercisable Number of or Indirect Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EDELMAN JOSEPH C/O FIRST NEW YORK SECURITIES, LLC 850 THIRD AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | Â | ÂX | Â | Â |
| PERCEPTIVE LIFE SCIENCES MASTER FUND LTD 5437 CONNECTICUT AVE NW STE 100 WASHINGTON, DC 20015 | Â | ÂX | Â | Â |
| PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC C/O FIRST NEW YORK SECURITIES, LLC 850 THIRD AVENUE, 8TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | Â | ÂX | Â | Â |
| Bradley Scott PERCEPTIVE ADVISORS LLC 499 PARK AVENUE, 25TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | Â | ÂX | Â | Â |

Signatures

/s/ James Mannix, attorney in fact 08/22/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) This Form 3 is being filed by Joseph Edelman, Scott Bradley, Perceptive Life Science Master Fund Ltd. ("Master Fund") and Perceptive Advisors LLC ("Advisors").

This amount reflects the amount of securities held by Master Fund immediately following the transactions requiring the filing of this statement. Mr. Edelman is the managing member of Advisors, which in turn serves as the investment manager of Master Fund. In

- accordance with Instruction 5(b)(iv) of Form 3, the entire amount of the Issuer's securities held by Master Fund is reported herein. Each of Mr. Edelman, Mr. Bradley and Advisors disclaims, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, beneficial ownership of such securities, except to the extent of his/its indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Edelman, Mr. Bradley or Advisors is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.
 - This amount reflects the amount of securities held in an account of First New York Trading, LLC immediately following the transactions requiring the filing of this statement, over which Mr. Edelman has sole voting and dispositive power. (Mr. Edelman and Mr. Bradley
- (3) each disclaims, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, beneficial ownership of such securities, except to the extent of his indirect pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that Mr. Edelman or Mr. Bradley is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.)

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