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FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad MIMMS LAI		orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GEN PROBE INC [GPRO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			
GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED, 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE			05/16/2005	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specification) below) VP, Strat. Plan and Dev.			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/16/2005		M	400	A	\$ 12.29	8,040	D	
Common Stock	05/16/2005		S(1)	100	D	\$ 42.69	7,940	D	
Common Stock	05/16/2005		S(1)	100	D	\$ 42.67	7,840	D	
Common Stock	05/16/2005		S(1)	200	D	\$ 42.65	7,640	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out of Derivative Securities Acquired (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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.29	05/16/2005		M	400	<u>(2)</u>	09/01/2011	Common Stock	400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MIMMS LARRY GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

VP, Strat. Plan and Dev.

Signatures

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

05/19/2005

**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 in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 17, 2004.
- (2) Option vests as follows: 25% on 9/1/02; 1/48th vesting monthly following three years.

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Reporting Owners 2

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