GEN PROBE INC Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Jorgine Ellerbrock

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

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GEN PROBE INC [GPRO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

C/O GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED, 10210 **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE** (Month/Day/Year)

11/05/2010

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

Senior VP, Operations

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

(State)

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	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. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3,	esed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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	11/05/2010		M	4,550	A	\$ 38.51	11,630	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2010		S	4,550	D	\$ 49.25	7,080	D	
Common Stock	11/05/2010		S	580	D	\$ 49.0404 (1)	6,500	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)	ransaction Derivative ode Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		3
				Code V	(A) (D))	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.51	11/05/2010		M	4,5	50	(2)	08/17/2016	Common Stock	4,550	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Jorgine Ellerbrock C/O GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED 10210 GENETIC CENTER DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

Senior VP, Operations

Signatures

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

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$49.03 to \$49.05. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price for these transactions. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the reported transactions were effected.
- The reporting person was granted options to aquire 15,600 shares of common stock of the Issuer on August 17, 2009. The shares subject to this stock option vest over four years from the grant date as follows: 25% of the shares subject to this stock option vested on August 17, 2010 and the remainder of the shares subject to the stock option vest in equal monthly installements over the following three years.

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