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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DeWalt Diana

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

GEN PROBE INC [GPRO]

08/17/2009

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

GEN-PROBE

INCORPORATED, 10210 **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE**

(State)

below) Senior VP, Human Resources

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

(Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

		Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Deficiently Owned							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired			5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			ed of (D)	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	nstr. 8)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
		•					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/17/2009		A	1,650 (1)	A	\$0	26,481 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2009		F	1,799	D	\$ 38.51	24,682	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	\$ 38.51	08/17/2009		A	14,000	(3)	08/17/2016	Common Stock	14,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DeWalt Diana

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

Senior VP, Human Resources

Signatures

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

08/19/2009

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Represents a restricted stock award granted under the Issuer's 2003 Incentive Award Plan. The shares subject to the award vest over four years, with 25% of the shares subject to the award vesting on each anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Includes shares acquired under the Gen-Probe Incorporated Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of June 30, 2009.
- (3) 25% of the shares subject to the Stock Option vest on August 17, 2010, and the remaining shares vest in equal monthly installments over the following three years.

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