**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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **GARGAN PAUL E** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

GEN PROBE INC [GPRO]

(Month/Day/Year)

11/29/2011

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

**GEN-PROBE** INCORPORATED, 10210 **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE** 

below) SVP, Business Dev.

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(State)

11/29/2011

(City)

Common

Stock

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Ownership Owned (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 11/29/2011 M 4,342 A 21,781 D 29.525 Stock

5,842

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58.056

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)

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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 on f 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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.525	11/29/2011		M	4,342	(2)	08/15/2013	Common Stock	4,342

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

SVP, Business Dev.

## **Signatures**

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

12/01/2011

\*\*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 \$60.12 to \$60.49. 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.
- (2) The shares subject to the stock option vested and became exercisable on August 15, 2007.

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