**MIMMS LARRY** Form 4 July 11, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(City)

(State)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MIMMS LARRY Issuer Symbol GEN PROBE INC [GPRO] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title **GEN-PROBE** 07/08/2005 below) INCORPORATED, 10210 VP, Strat. Plan and Dev. **GENETIC CENTER DRIVE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

| (City)                 | (Enty) (State) (Zip)                 |   |                          | Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |     |                         |                           |                       |            |  |  |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|-----|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------|--|--|
| 1.Title of<br>Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) |                          |  |     | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect |            |  |  |
| (Instr. 3)             |                                      | any   | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |  |     | 5)                      | Beneficially              | (D) or                | Beneficial |  |  |
|                        |                                      | (Month/Day/Year)  | (Instr. 8)               | nstr. 8)   |     |                         | Owned                     | Indirect (I)          | Ownership  |  |  |
|                        |                                      |   |                          |  |     |                         | Following                 | (Instr. 4)            | (Instr. 4) |  |  |
|                        |                                      |   |                          |  | (A) |                         | Reported                  |                       |            |  |  |
|                        |                                      |   |                          |  | or  |                         | Transaction(s)            |                       |            |  |  |
|                        |                                      |   | Code V                   | Amount   | (D) | Price                   | (Instr. 3 and 4)          |                       |            |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock        | 07/08/2005                           |   | M                        | 400  | A   | \$<br>12.29             | 8,040                     | D                     |            |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock        | 07/08/2005                           |   | S <u>(1)</u>             | 400  | D   | \$<br>40.05             | 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)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Derivative | 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<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)    | \$ 12.29  | 07/08/2005                           |   | M                                      | 400        | (2)  | 09/01/2011         | Common<br>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 07/11/2005

\*\*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 May 26, 2005.
- (2) Option vests as follows: 25% on 9/1/02; 1/48th vesting monthly following three years.

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