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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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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kubicek Mark R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

Proto Labs Inc [PRLB]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director

10% Owner Other (specify

5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE

(Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2012

X_ Officer (give title

below) **Executive Vice President**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(Instr. 4)

Person

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

Owned

MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(State) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

(Instr. 8) (A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.58	05/07/2012		A		11,310		<u>(1)</u>	05/07/2022	Common Stock	11,310

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kubicek Mark R. 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Julie Regnier, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark R. Kubicek

05/09/2012

**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 option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on May 7, 2013.

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