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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Yang Patrick Y

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle) GENENTECH INC [DNA]

(Check all applicable)

1 DNA WAY

(Last)

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

09/23/2005

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

below) SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

(Street)

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

Person

SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) any

7. Title and A

Underlying S

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4, ar 5)	D)		
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 85.83	09/23/2005		A	125,000	09/23/2005(1)	09/23/2015	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 85.83	09/23/2005		A	1,500	09/23/2005(1)	09/23/2015	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Yang Patrick Y 1 DNA WAY SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

By: Karen L. Strand, Attorney-in-Fact For: Patrick Y. Yang

09/27/2005

**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).

This stock option vests over four years, with the first 25% of the shares vesting one year from the grant date and 75% of the shares (1) vesting in equal monthly increments over the following three years. This option may be immediately exercisable with the consent of Generated

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