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DATE: DECEMBER 14, 2020

SUBJECT: VIVUS, INC. – CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT/ACCELERATION OF

**EXPIRATIONS** 

**OPTION SYMBOL: VVUSQ** 

DATE: 12/14/20

On December 10, 2020, the United States Bankruptcy Court District of Delaware confirmed the Second Amended Joint Prepackaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization ("Plan") of VIVUS, Inc. and its Affiliated Debtors. The Plan became effective on December 14, 2020, and VIVUS, Inc. shares were canceled.

VVUSQ shareholders of record on the Existing Stock Record Date of November 13, 2020, are entitled to participate in the Existing Stock Settlement and receive a pro rata portion of the Existing Stock Cash, as described in the Plan. Any holder who acquires shares after the Existing Stock Record Date of November 13, 2020 is not eligible to participate in the Existing Stock Settlement and will not receive any distribution per the Plan.

## **CONTRACT ADJUSTMENT**

Effective December 14, 2020, existing VVUSQ options are adjusted to no longer call for the delivery of VVUSQ shares upon exercise.

## The option symbol VVUSQ will not change.

In settlement of VVUSQ exercise/assignment activity, a VVUSQ put exerciser (or call assignee) will receive a cash payment of the full aggregate strike price amount on the exercise settlement date. A VVUSQ put assignee (or call exercise) will pay this amount on the exercise settlement date. Settlement will take place through OCC's cash settlement system on the second business day after exercise.

Since VVUSQ options are American-style, they are exercisable at the election of the holder. Expiration processing for VVUSQ options will take place in the normal fashion, including automatic exercise thresholds.

## **ACCELERATION OF EXPIRATIONS**

Pursuant to OCC Rule 807, equity stock option contracts whose deliverables are adjusted to call for cashonly delivery will be subject to an acceleration of the expiration dates for outstanding option series. (See OCC Information Memo 23707) Additionally, the exercise by exception (ex by ex) threshold for expiring series will be \$.01 in all account types.

All series of VIVUS, Inc. options whose expiration dates are after 12-18-2020 will have their expiration dates advanced to 12-18-2020. Expiration dates occurring before 12-18-2020 (e.g., Flex options) will remain unchanged.

All VIVUS, Inc. options will utilize a \$.01 exercise threshold.

Option Symbol: VVUSQ

Existing Expiration: All months New expiration date: 12-18-2020

Existing American-style VIVUS, Inc. options remain exercisable at the option of the holder prior to their

expiration. Exercised options will continue to settle in two business days.

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