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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Tumelty John B. Issuer Symbol Proto Labs Inc [PRLB] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ __ Other (specify 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE 08/22/2012 below) Managing Dir.-Proto Labs, Ltd. (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|----------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities A poor Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D) | (D) 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2012 | | X <u>(1)</u> | 70,000 A | \$ 1.79 | 70,000 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/22/2012 | | S(1) | 70,000 D | \$ 32.8292 (2) | 0 | 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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | cise any f (Month/Day/Year) ive | | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | TransactionDerivative Code Securities | | 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 |
| Warrant (right to buy) | \$ 1.79 | 08/22/2012 | | X <u>(1)</u> | | 70,000 | <u>(3)</u> | 07/04/2016 | Common Stock | 70,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tumelty John B. 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

Managing Dir.-Proto Labs, Ltd.

Signatures

/s/ Julie M. Regnier, Attorney-in-Fact for John B. Tumelty

08/24/2012

**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) Transaction effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 27, 2012.
- Reflects the weighted average price of 70,000 shares of common stock of Proto Labs, Inc. (the "Issuer") sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on August 22, 2012 with sale prices ranging from \$32.35 to \$33.01 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Fully vested.

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