

VITAL SIGNS INC
Form 4
November 03, 2008

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WICKER CHARLES BARRY

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O VITAL SIGNS, INC, 20
CAMPUS RD**

(Street)

TOTOWA, NJ 07512

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
VITAL SIGNS INC [VITL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/30/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	10/30/2008		D ⁽¹⁾		211,879	D	\$ 74.5
							0
Common Stock	10/30/2008		D ⁽¹⁾		15,716	D	\$ 74.5
							0
						I	
							By 401(k) plan

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Common Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 52.56	10/30/2008		D ⁽²⁾	6,000	⁽³⁾ 05/08/2018	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WICKER CHARLES BARRY C/O VITAL SIGNS, INC 20 CAMPUS RD TOTOWA, NJ 07512	X

Signatures

/s/ Charles Barry Wicker, By: Laura R. Kuntz, Esq.,
Attorney-in-Fact

10/30/2008

 **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) Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") dated July 23, 2008 by and among General Electric Company, Tonic Acquisition Corp and Vital Signs, Inc. (the "Company"), at the Effective Time (as defined in the Merger Agreement), each share of the Company's common stock issued and outstanding was automatically converted into the right to receive \$74.50 in cash, without interest (the "Merger Consideration").

(2) Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, at the Effective Time, each outstanding option to purchase the Company's common stock ("Company Stock Option"), whether or not then vested or exercisable, was cancelled and terminated and converted into the right to receive an amount of cash equal to the excess of the Merger Consideration over the exercise price of such Company Stock Option, multiplied by the number of shares of common stock covered by such Company Stock Option less applicable taxes required to be withheld.

(3) These options vest in four equal annual installments starting on May 8, 2009.

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