

GEN PROBE INC  
Form 8-K  
February 12, 2004

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **February 12, 2004**

**Gen-Probe Incorporated**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**0-49834**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**33-0044608**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**10210 Genetic Center Drive  
San Diego, CA 92121**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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**(858) 410-8000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**Item 7. Financial Statements, *Pro Forma* Financial Information and Exhibits.**

(c) The following exhibits are furnished with this Current Report:

99.1 News release dated February 12, 2004

**Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On February 12, 2004, Gen-Probe Incorporated issued a news release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and year ended December 31, 2003. A copy of this news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

In accordance with General Instruction B-6 of Form 8-K, the information furnished pursuant to this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, unless Gen-Probe expressly sets forth in such filing that such information is to be considered filed or incorporated by reference therein.

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: February 12, 2004

GEN-PROBE INCORPORATED

By: /S/ R. William Bowen

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R. William Bowen  
Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate  
Secretary

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**EXHIBITS**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	News Release dated February 12, 2004