

VIVUS INC
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VIVUS, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

First Manhattan Co.

First Health, L.P.

First Health Limited

First Health Associates, L.P.

First BioMed Management Associates, LLC

First BioMed, L.P.

First BioMed Portfolio, L.P.

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On June 24, 2013, First Manhattan Co. and its affiliates ("First Manhattan") issued by press release a letter to the stockholders of VIVUS, Inc. ("Vivus") urging them to support First Manhattan in its proxy solicitation. A copy of the foregoing letter was also mailed to Vivus stockholders. A copy of the press release, which includes the letter, is attached as Exhibit 1.

Also on June 24, 2013, First Manhattan posted an additional reference to www.ourmaterials.com/VVUS/. A copy of the additional reference is filed herewith as Exhibit 2.