GENENTECH INC

Form 4

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1(b).

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may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEVINSON ARTHUR D

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

GENENTECH INC [DNA]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner

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(Last)

(Month/Day/Year)

09/20/2007

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

CHAIRMAN & CEO

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

Reported

SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and A Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying S Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and any

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(Inst	r. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	ĺ	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	(D)			
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Sto	n-Qualified ck Option ht to buy)	\$ 79.55	09/20/2007		A		400,000		09/20/2008(1)	09/20/2017	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LEVINSON ARTHUR D 1 DNA WAY SO SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080	X		CHAIRMAN & CEO					

Signatures

By: Mary Yoo For: Arthur D.
Levinson 09/24/2007

**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) This stock option vests over four years, with the first 25% of the shares vesting one year from the grant date and 75% of the shares vesting in equal monthly increments over the following three years.

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