

GEN PROBE INC  
Form 8-K  
February 13, 2006

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549  
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 9, 2006**

**Gen-Probe Incorporated**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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

**001-31279**  
(Commission File Number)

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

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

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

**N/A**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02(b). Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

(b) On February 9, 2006, Gerald D. Laubach, Ph.D., a director of Gen-Probe Incorporated (the Company), informed the Company that he would retire as of the 2006 Annual Meeting of Stockholders, scheduled to be held on May 17, 2006, and that he would not stand for reelection at that meeting.

Dr. Laubach was President of Pfizer, Inc. from 1972 to 1990. He was initially elected as a director of the Company on September 9, 2002, at the time of the Company's spin-off from its former parent, Chugai Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd.

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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.

**Gen-Probe Incorporated**

Date: February 13, 2006

By: /s/ R. William Bowen  
R. William Bowen