

KRANTZ DONALD G
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â KRANTZ DONALD G</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>MAPLE PLAIN,Â MNÂ 55359</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>02/23/2012</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Proto Labs Inc [PRLB]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>(give title below) (specify below)</p> <p>Chief Operating Officer</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	0	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of			

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	11/21/2015	Common Stock	98,000	\$ 1.79	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (2)	12/21/2020	Common Stock	105,000	\$ 7.86	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KRANTZ DONALD G 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359	Â	Â	Â Chief Operating Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Catherine M. Verschelden, Attorney-in-Fact for Donald G.
Krantz

02/23/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) Fully vested.

(2) The option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on December 21, 2011.

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