FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Black Archie C.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Proto Labs Inc [PRLB]									Relationsh heck all ap X Dire	,			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/18/2017									Offic belo	er (give title w)	Oth belo	er (specify w)	
(Street) MAPLE (City)		MN State)		5359 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Lir	ne) X Forr Forr	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
			Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	lly Own	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,		Code (Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Ins					d Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect		
										Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(instr. 4)	
Common Stock				05/18	3/2017	7			A		1,586(1)		A \$0			4,737			
			Та	ble II - D								sed of, onvertib				Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercis Price of Derivative Security	n Date e (Month/	ate Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8			ansaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The restricted stock units vest in full on the earlier of 5/18/18 or the date of the Company's 2018 annual meeting of shareholders.

/s/ Samuel A. Rosenbaum, attorney-in-fact

05/22/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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