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*  ERICKSON RONALD P					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol VISUALANT INC [ VSUL ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) 500 UNION	(First	) (	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/28/2012										X	Director Officer (give title below)		10% Ov Other (s below)			
SUITE 406				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) SEATTLE	WA	g	98101												X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State	e) (2	Zip)																		
		Ţ	able I - No	n-Derivat	ive S	Securi	ties A	cquir	red, D	ispo	sed o	of, or	Benef	icial	ly Ow	ned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		e, Tr Co	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar				nd 5) Securities Beneficial Following		y Owned Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Co	ode	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	ce	Transactio				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				08/28/2	08/28/2012				P		20,000		Α	\$	0.11	1,727	,106	106 D			
Common Stoc	mon Stock															500,000		I		.(1)	
Common Stoc	ck															66,6	66,667 I			.(2)	
Common Stoc	ck															1,000,000 I .				.(3)	
Common Stoc	ck														2,000,000 I				.(4)		
			Table II - I	Derivativ e.g., put											Owne	ed					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	cise (Month/Day/Year) f ive	3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			e and	and 7. Title and Amount Securities Underlyin Derivative Security and 4)			1	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	Date Ex Exercisable Da		ration	1 1		Amou Numb Share	er of		Transacti (Instr. 4)				
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$0.15							(	(5)	05/09	9/2020	Com		3,000	0,000		3,000,0	000	D		
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$0.13							(	(6)	06/08	8/2022	Com		1,000	0,000		4,000,0	000	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Held by Dia Armenta
- 2. Held by eCharge Corp
- 3. Held by Juliz Limited Partnership- Family LP
- 4. Held by J3E2A2Z Limited Partnership
- 5. Option vests quarterly over 2 years commencing 05-10-2010
- 6. Option vests quarterly over 1 year commencing 06-08-2012. Option grant is subject to an increase in the 2011 Stock Incentive Plan at the 2012 Annual Shareholder Meeting.

/s/ Ronald P. Erickson

08/28/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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