

Sterling Robert
Form 4
January 05, 2007

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Sterling Robert

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BIOENVISION, INC., 345
PARK AVE., 41ST. FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

BIOENVISION INC [BIVN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

01/03/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

VP Product Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | | | |
| | | | Code | V | Amount | | 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 Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. Price |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|--|--|--|----------|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option to purchase Common Stock | \$ 4.6 | 01/03/2007 | A | | 20,000 | | <u>(1)</u> | 01/03/2017 | common | 20,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Sterling Robert C/O BIOENVISION, INC. 345 PARK AVE., 41ST. FLOOR NEW YORK,, NY 10154 | VP Product Development |

Signatures

/s/ Robert
Sterling
01/05/2007
Date

**Signature of
Reporting Person

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) 25% vest on 1/3/2007; 25% vest on 1/3/2008; 25% vest on 1/3/2009 and 25% vest on 1/3/2010.
- (2) Granted by the compensation committee pursuant to the Company's 2003 Stock Incentive Plan.

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