MEADER MICHAEL Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **MEADER MICHAEL** Issuer Symbol Genius Brands International, Inc. (Check all applicable) [GNUS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director _X__ 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 5820 OBERLIN DR. #203 12/31/2011 President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

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Applicable Line)

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(City)	(State)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative Sec	urities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	omr Disposed o	of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 an	d 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
						Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
					(4)	Reported	(I)	
					(A)	Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common	05/02/2012			2,262,336	A (1)	11,153,469	T	See note
Stock	03/02/2012		A	(1)	A (1)	(2)	1	(2)

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Options	\$ 0.22	12/31/2011		A	100,000		12/31/2011	12/21/2016	Common Stock	100,000

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MEADER MICHAEL 5820 OBERLIN DR. #203 SAN DIEGO, CA 92121	X	X	President				

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Signatures

/s/ Michael

1. Title of 2.

Meader 05/16/2012

**Signature of Person Date

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) Acquired on May 2, 2012 pursuant to a conversion of a then outstanding note balance of \$452,476.10 into 2,262,336 shares of the Company's common stock.
- Represents 6,653,469 shares held by The Meader Family Trust dated June 27, 2002, over which Mr. Meader acts as co-trustee with Suzanne Donayan Meader and shares voting and dispositive power, and 4,500,000 shares held by three separate trusts established for the benefit of Mr. Meader's children, over which Mr. Meader acts as co-trustee with Suzanne Donayan Meader. Mr. Meader disclaims ownership of the 4,500,000 shares held in the children's trusts.
- (3) Issued directly from the Issuer to Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuer's Stock Option Plan on December 31, 2011.

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