Tumelty John B. Form 4 November 27, 2017

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tumelty John B.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Proto Labs Inc [PRLB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 11/22/2017	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP/GM & Managing Director-EMEA		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
C			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/22/2017		M	7,341	A	\$ 78.59	11,640	D	
Common Stock	11/22/2017		M	1,898	A	\$ 67.15	13,538	D	
Common Stock	11/22/2017		M	1,891	A	\$ 57.88	15,429	D	
Common Stock	11/22/2017		S	13,556	D	\$ 92.0708	1,873	D	

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ive Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 78.59	11/22/2017		M	7,341	(2)	02/13/2024	Common Stock	7,341
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 67.15	11/22/2017		M	1,898	(3)	02/09/2025	Common Stock	1,898
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 57.88	11/22/2017		M	1,891	<u>(4)</u>	02/08/2026	Common Stock	1,891

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Tumelty John B.						
5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE			VP/GM & Managing Director-EMEA			
MAPLE PLAIN MN 55359						

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Signatures

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

11/27/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- Reflects the weighted average price of 13,556 shares of common stock of Proto Labs, Inc. sold by the reporting person on November 22, 2017 with sale prices ranging from \$91.50 to \$92.45 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2015.
- (3) The option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2016.
- (4) The option vests as to 20% of the shares in five annual installments beginning on February 13, 2017.

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