

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287
Expires: December 31, 2001
Estimated average burden
hours per response 0.5

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

/ / Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*
Zapata Corporation
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Viskase Companies, Inc. (VCIC)
3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
74-1339132
4. Statement for Month/Year
9/01
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Director X 10% Owner
Officer (give title below)
Other (Specify below)
7. 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)
3. Transaction Code
4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)
5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 and 4)
6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)
7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock 9/27/01 S 5,877,304 D .01 -0-

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. (Over)
* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. SEC 1474 (3/99)

signed. Page
2 If space
is
insufficient,
see
Instruction
6 for
procedure.
Potential
persons who
are respond
to the
collection
of
information
contained in
this form
are not
required to
respond
unless the
form
displays a
currently
valid OMB
Number.