

STANGER KENT W
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STANGER KENT W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [MMSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Financial Officer

1600 W MERIT PARKWAY

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095

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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | (A) or (D) | Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|--|--|---|
| Common Stock, No Par Value | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 55,248 | I | By 401(k) plan ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Stock, No Par Value | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 148,041 | I | Family Limited Partnership |
| Common Stock, No Par Value | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 3,416 ⁽²⁾ | D | Â |

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Common
 Stock, No 12/31/2008 Â G 1,355 D \$ ⁽⁸⁾ 417,275 D Â
 Par Value

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 2.07 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 02/12/2002 ⁽³⁾ Expiration Date: 02/12/2011 | Common Stock | 55 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 2.85 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 05/23/2001 Expiration Date: 05/23/2011 | Common Stock | 27 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 7.61 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 12/08/2002 ⁽⁴⁾ Expiration Date: 12/08/2011 | Common Stock | 44 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 9.56 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 05/23/2002 Expiration Date: 05/23/2012 | Common Stock | 17 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 9.74 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 02/06/2004 ⁽⁵⁾ Expiration Date: 02/06/2013 | Common Stock | 35 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 10.47 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 05/22/2003 Expiration Date: 05/22/2013 | Common Stock | 26 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 21.67 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 12/13/2003 Expiration Date: 12/13/2013 | Common Stock | 15 |
| Non-qualified stock options | \$ 21.67 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | Date Exercisable: 12/13/2004 Expiration Date: 12/13/2013 | Common Stock | 14 |

(right to buy)

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------|---|---|---|---|---|---------------------------|------------|--------------|----|
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 13.81 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 06/10/2004 | 06/10/2014 | Common Stock | 6 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 13.81 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 06/10/2004 | 06/10/2014 | Common Stock | 15 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 15.03 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 12/18/2004 | 12/18/2014 | Common Stock | 20 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 14.26 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 05/25/2005 | 05/25/2015 | Common Stock | 15 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 12.14 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 12/28/2005 | 12/28/2015 | Common Stock | 20 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 11.52 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 05/25/2007 ⁽⁶⁾ | 05/25/2013 | Common Stock | 15 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 12.13 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 06/27/2008 ⁽⁷⁾ | 06/27/2014 | Common Stock | 20 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 12.13 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 06/27/2008 ⁽⁷⁾ | 06/27/2014 | Common Stock | 15 |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 14.41 | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 05/21/2009 ⁽⁹⁾ | 05/21/2015 | Common Stock | 35 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STANGER KENT W 1600 W MERIT PARKWAY SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095 | Â X | Â | Â Chief Financial Officer | Â |

Signatures

Kent W. Stanger 01/21/2009

**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).
- (1) Represents plan holdings as of 12/31/08.
- (2) Employee stock purchase plan as of 12/31/05.
- (3) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/12/02.
- (4) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 12/08/02.
- (5) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/06/04.
- (6) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 33.33% commencing 05/25/07.
- (7) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 06/27/08.
- (8) This is a gift.
- (9) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 05/21/09.

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