

MERGE HEALTHCARE Inc
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Merrick RIS, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MERGE HEALTHCARE Inc
[MRGE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
233 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 2330
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/30/2008

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

CHICAGO, IL 60601

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Common Stock | 12/30/2008 | | P | 6,200 | A | \$ 1.25 | 27,908,537 D |
| Common Stock | 12/31/2008 | | P | 18,700 | A | \$ 1.25 | 27,927,237 D |
| Common Stock | 01/02/2009 | | P | 200 | A | \$ 1.245 | 27,927,437 D |

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Merrick RIS, LLC 233 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE SUITE 2330 CHICAGO, IL 60601 | X | X | | |
| FERRO MICHAEL W JR 233 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 2330 CHICAGO, IL 60601 | X | X | | |

Signatures

Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for Merrick RIS, LLC 01/02/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for Michael W. Ferro, Jr. 01/02/2009

__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).

Remarks:

The reporting persons are Merrick RIS, LLC ("Merrick"), a Delaware limited liability company, and Michael W. Ferro, Jr. ("M...

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