

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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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)	8. Amount or Number of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 2.07	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/12/2002 ⁽³⁾ 02/12/2011	Common Stock	55
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 2.85	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/23/2001 05/23/2011	Common Stock	27
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 7.61	Â	Â	Â	Â	12/08/2002 ⁽⁴⁾ 12/08/2011	Common Stock	44
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 9.56	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/23/2002 05/23/2012	Common Stock	17
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 9.74	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/06/2004 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/06/2013	Common Stock	35
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 10.47	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/22/2003 05/22/2013	Common Stock	26
Non-qualified stock options (right to buy)	\$ 21.67	Â	Â	Â	Â	12/13/2003 12/13/2013	Common Stock	15
Non-qualified stock options	\$ 21.67	Â	Â	Â	Â	12/13/2004 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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