

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>STANGER KENT W</b> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>79 WEST 4500 SOUTH SUITE 9</b> <hr/> (Street) <b>SALT LAKE CITY UT 84107</b> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [ MMSI ]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>Chief Financial Officer</b>		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>10/28/2003</b>					
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
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**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, no par value	10/27/2003	10/27/2003	M		5,000	A	\$2.76 <sup>(2)</sup>	5,000	D	
Common Stock, no par value	10/27/2003	10/27/2003	S		5,000	D	\$25.25	0	D	
Common Stock, no par value	10/27/2003	10/27/2003	M		5,000	D	\$2.76 <sup>(2)</sup>	305,564	D	
Common Stock, no par value	10/27/2003	10/27/2003	S		5,000	D	\$25	300,564 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	A		111,031 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	<sup>(2)</sup>	111,031 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Family limited partnership
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	A		35,989	A	<sup>(1)</sup>	35,989 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	401(K) Plan <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	A		2,562	A	<sup>(2)</sup>	2,562 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan <sup>(2)</sup>

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$2.76 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/27/2003		M			10,000	09/30/1999 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/31/2004	Common Stock	10,000	\$2.76	10,833 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$2.82 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			15,625	05/26/1999	05/26/2004	Common Stock	15,625	\$2.82	15,625 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$3.15 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			18,231	04/23/2000 <sup>(5)</sup>	10/23/2004	Common Stock	18,231	\$3.15	18,231 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$2.16 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			15,625	05/24/2000	05/24/2005	Common Stock	15,625	\$2.16	15,625 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$2.16 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			41,667	01/24/2001	05/24/2005	Common Stock	41,667	\$2.16	41,667 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$2.76 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			41,667	02/12/2002 <sup>(6)</sup>	02/12/2011	Common Stock	41,667	\$2.76	41,667 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$3.8 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			20,833	05/23/2001	05/23/2011	Common Stock	20,833	\$3.8	20,833 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$10.15 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			33,333	12/08/2002 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/08/2011	Common Stock	33,333	\$10.15	33,333 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$12.74 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			13,333	05/23/2002 <sup>(3)</sup>	05/23/2012	Common Stock	13,333	\$12.74	13,333 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$12.99 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			26,667	02/06/2004 <sup>(7)</sup>	02/06/2013	Common Stock	26,667	\$12.99	26,667 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Nonqualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$13.97 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M			20,000	05/22/2003 <sup>(7)</sup>	05/22/2013	Common Stock	20,000	\$13.97	20,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represent plan holdings as of 10/28/03
2. End of month numbers reflect stock split (4 for 3) forward split effective 8/15/03
3. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 12/08/02
4. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 09/30/99
5. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 04/23/00
6. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/12/02
7. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/06/04

Kent W. Stanger

10/29/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* 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).

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