FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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|--|--------------|---------------------------------------|----------|--|-------|--|---------|---|--|----------------------------|------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STANGER KENT W | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [MMSI] S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 1600 W MERIT PARKWAY | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004 X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer | | | | | | | | | | | | респу | | | |
| (Street) SOUTH JORDAN | UT | 8 | 4095 | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (Sta | te) (2 | Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | le I - N | | | _ | | | quire | d, Di | _ | | | ally Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Common Stock, No Par Value | | 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | | /Year) Exec | | . Deemed ecution Date, iny onth/Day/Year) | | action (Instr. | 4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5) | | A) or 3, 4 and | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follo | Fc | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | ature of ect eficial ership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | v | Amount | (A) or (D) Price | | Transaction((Instr. 3 and | | | (Inst | 1. 4) | |
| Common S | Stock, No Pa | ar Value | | 12/31/2004 | | | | | G | | 3,000 | D | (7) | 379,04 | 41 D | | \bot | | |
| Common S | stock, no pa | r value | | | | | | | | | | | | 148,04 | 1 | I | Fan limi part | , | |
| Common s | tock, no pai | value | | | | | | | | | | | | 49,06 | 6 | I | | 401(k)plan ⁽⁶⁾ | |
| common stock, no par value | | | | | | | | | | | | | 3,416 | 3,416 D | | | | | |
| | | Т | able II | | | | | | | | posed of, convertib | | | ly Owned) | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | ise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month | | emed ion Date, /Day/Year) | | ransaction Code (Instr. | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Exerci ion Da /Day/Y | | 7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | | Derivative Security | 9. Numbo derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transact (Instr. 4) | ve Ces Fally Cong (Id | 0. Ownership orm: Oirect (D) r Indirect) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | sable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou or Numb of Share | er | | | | | |
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$1.62 | | | | | | | | 05/24/ | 2000 | 05/24/2005 | Common Stock | 20,8 | 33 | 20,83 | 33 | D | | |
| Nonqualified stock options | \$1.62 | | | | | | | | 01/24/ | 2001 | 05/24/2005 | Common Stock | 55,5 | 56 | 55,55 | 56 | D | | |
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$2.07 | | | | | | | | 02/12/2 | :002 ⁽⁴⁾ | 02/12/2011 | Common Stock | 55,5 | 56 | 55,55 | 56 | D | | |
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$2.85 | | | | | | | | 05/23/ | /2001 | 05/23/2011 | Common Stock | 27,7 | 77 | 27,77 | 77 | D | | |
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$7.61 | | | | | | | | 12/08/2 | :002 ⁽³⁾ | 12/08/2011 | Common Stock | 44,4 | 44 | 44,44 | 44 | D | | |
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$9.56 | | | | | | | | 05/23/ | /2002 | 05/23/2012 | Common Stock | 17,7 | 77 | 17,77 | 77 | D | | |
| Nonqualified stock optons (right to | \$9.74 | | | | | | | | 02/06/2 | 2004 ⁽⁵⁾ | 02/06/2013 | Common Stock | 35,5 | 56 | 35,55 | 56 | D | | |

| 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 Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye | te | 7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 ar | ies g Security | 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 | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Nonqualified stock optons (right to buy) | \$10.47 | | | | | | | 05/22/2003 | 05/22/2013 | Common Stock | 26,667 | | 26,667 | D | |
| Nonqualified stock options (right to buy) | \$21.67 | | | | | | | 12/13/2003 | 12/13/2013 | Common Stock | 15,000 | | 15,000 | D | |
| Nonqualified stock optons (right to buy) | \$21.67 | | | | | | | 12/13/2004 ⁽²⁾ | 12/13/2013 | Common Stock | 14,000 | | 14,000 | D | |
| Non- qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$13.81 | | | | | | | 12/10/2004 | 06/10/2014 | Common Stock | 6,000 | | 6,000 | D | |
| Non- qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$13.81 | | | | | | | 06/10/2004 | 06/10/2014 | Common Stock | 15,000 | | 15,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. (employee stock purchase plan) as of 06/10/04
- 2. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing $12/13/04\,$
- 3. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 12/08/02
- 4. Become exercisable in equall annual installments of 20% commencing 02/12/02
- 5. Become exercisable in equall annual installments of 20% commencing 02/06/04
- 6. Represent plan holdings as of 12/28/04
- 7. This transaction is a donation

Kent Stanger

06/11/2004

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).
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