

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BEAN REX C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [MMSI]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2004			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) SOUTH JORDAN UT 84095								
(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		245,172 ⁽¹⁾	A	(2)	245,172 ⁽¹⁾	D ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		16,800 ⁽¹⁾	A	(3)	16,800 ⁽¹⁾	D ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		70,112 ⁽¹⁾	A	(4)	70,112 ⁽¹⁾	D ⁽⁴⁾	
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		17,777 ⁽¹⁾	A	(5)	17,777 ⁽¹⁾	D ⁽⁵⁾	

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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.12 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		20,833 ⁽¹⁾		05/26/1999	05/26/2004	Common Stock	20,833	\$2.12 ⁽¹⁾	20,833 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.62 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		20,833 ⁽¹⁾		05/24/2000	05/24/2005	Common Stock	20,833	\$1.62 ⁽¹⁾	20,833 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.85 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		27,777 ⁽¹⁾		05/23/2001	05/23/2011	Common Stock	27,777	\$2.85 ⁽¹⁾	27,777 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.56 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		17,777 ⁽¹⁾		05/23/2002	05/23/2012	Common Stock	17,777	\$9.56 ⁽¹⁾	17,777 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$10.47 ⁽¹⁾	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	M		26,667 ⁽¹⁾		05/22/2003	05/22/2013	Common Stock	26,667	\$10.47 ⁽¹⁾	26,667 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Nonqualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$21.67 ⁽¹⁾	12/13/2003	12/13/2003	A		15,000 ⁽¹⁾		12/13/2003	12/13/2013	Common Stock	15,000	\$21.67 ⁽¹⁾	15,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Numbers reflect (4 for 3) forward stock split effective 12/03/03
- Bean Family Investment LLC
- Rex Bean Trust (revocable)
- Rex & Anita Bean Trust
- Rex Bean Cert

Rex C. Bean by Greg Barnett, Atty-in-Fact, per Pwr of Atty dated 9/14/02, a manually signed copy of which is on file with the SEC and is incorporated herein by reference 02/05/2004

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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