

MERGE HEALTHCARE INC  
 Form 4  
 September 17, 2008

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/15/2008

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

233 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 2330

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CHICAGO, IL 60601

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount or Price                                                                               |                                                          |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 09/15/2008                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 8,100 A \$ 1.1                                                                                | 26,966,237                                               | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 09/15/2008                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 1,200 A \$ 1.09                                                                               | 26,967,437                                               | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 09/15/2008                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 10,300 A \$ 1.08                                                                              | 26,977,737                                               | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 09/15/2008                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 5,000 A \$ 1.06                                                                               | 26,982,737                                               | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 09/16/2008                           |                                                    | P                              |                                                                   | 900 A \$ 1.1                                                                                  | 26,983,637                                               | D                                 |

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|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|---------|------------|---|
| Common Stock | 09/16/2008 | P | 6,600 | A | \$ 1.08 | 26,990,237 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/16/2008 | P | 3,700 | A | \$ 1.07 | 26,993,937 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 300   | A | \$ 1.07 | 26,994,237 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 600   | A | \$ 1.06 | 26,994,837 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 1,400 | A | \$ 1.05 | 26,996,237 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 600   | A | \$ 1.04 | 26,996,837 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 1,500 | A | \$ 1.03 | 26,998,337 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 2,400 | A | \$ 1.02 | 27,000,737 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 2,300 | A | \$ 1.01 | 27,003,037 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 100   | A | \$ 0.98 | 27,003,137 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 800   | A | \$ 0.97 | 27,003,937 | D |
| Common Stock | 09/17/2008 | P | 1,700 | A | \$ 0.96 | 27,005,637 | 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. 6) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    |                                | Code V (A) (D)                                                                          | Title                                                    |                                                               |                                            |                                                                  |

|             |            |        |
|-------------|------------|--------|
| Date        | Expiration | Amount |
| Exercisable | Date       | or     |
|             |            | Number |
|             |            | of     |
|             |            | Shares |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Daniel S. Fuchs                      09/17/2008  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

Daniel S. Fuchs                      09/17/2008  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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. ("Ferro, Jr.").  
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