### MERGE HEALTHCARE INC

Form 4

November 19, 2008

# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2008

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X\_\_ 10% Owner

\_ Other (specify

233 NORTH MICHIGAN

**AVENUE, SUITE 2330** (Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_\_ Director

Officer (give title

Form filed by One Reporting Person \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CHICAGO, IL 60601

| (City)                               | (State) (Z                              | Zip) Table  | e I - Non-D                             | erivative ( | Securi           | ities Acc  | quired, Disposed   | of, or Beneficial  | lly Owned   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|-------------|------------------|------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |             |                  |            | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|                                      |   |   | Code V                                  | Amount      | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price      | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                   |  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/17/2008                              |   | P                                       | 900         | A                | \$<br>0.66 | 27,019,437   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/17/2008                              |   | P                                       | 900         | A                | \$<br>0.69 | 27,020,337   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/17/2008                              |   | P                                       | 500         | A                | \$ 0.7     | 27,020,837   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/17/2008                              |   | P                                       | 3,100       | A                | \$<br>0.71 | 27,023,937   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 11/17/2008                              |   | P                                       | 1,900       | A                | \$<br>0.72 | 27,025,837   | D  |   |

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| Common<br>Stock | 11/18/2008 | P | 4,530 | A | \$<br>0.76 | 27,030,367 | D |
|-----------------|------------|---|-------|---|------------|------------|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 11/18/2008 | P | 9,370 | A | \$<br>0.78 | 27,039,737 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/19/2008 | P | 1,000 | A | \$<br>0.73 | 27,040,737 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/19/2008 | P | 3,700 | A | \$<br>0.83 | 27,044,437 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/19/2008 | P | 900   | A | \$<br>0.84 | 27,045,337 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/19/2008 | P | 1,800 | A | \$<br>0.86 | 27,047,137 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/19/2008 | P | 1,300 | A | \$<br>0.87 | 27,048,437 | D |
| Common<br>Stock | 11/19/2008 | P | 5,200 | A | \$<br>0.88 | 27,053,637 | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |                     | ate                | 7. Title<br>Amou<br>Under<br>Securi<br>(Instr. | nt of<br>lying                         | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|---|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 |   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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## **Signatures**

Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for Merrick RIS,
LLC

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for Michael W.
Ferro, Jr.

\*\*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).

#### **Remarks:**

The reporting persons are Merrick RIS, LLC ("Merrick"), a Delaware limited liability company, and Michael W. Ferro, Jr. ("Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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