

MERGE HEALTHCARE INC  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Hammond Kurt R.		(Month/Day/Year)	MERGE HEALTHCARE INC [MRGE]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
350 NORTH ORLEANS STREET,Â FIRST FLOOR		02/25/2015	(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
CHICAGO,Â ILÂ 60654			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below) (specify below)	
			President, Sales & Marketing	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	50,230	D	Â
Restricted Common Stock	150,750 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	05/04/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/03/2016	Common Stock	100,000	\$ 2.5	D	Â
Stock Options	04/05/2013 <sup>(3)</sup>	04/04/2019	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 3.09	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hammond Kurt R. 350 NORTH ORLEANS STREET FIRST FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60654	Â	Â	Â President, Sales & Marketing	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for Kurt R. Hammond 03/06/2015

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Restricted Stock Award granted pursuant to the 2005 Equity Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 shareholder approved employee benefit plan) of Merge Healthcare Incorporated. Restrictions on such shares shall lapse and such shares shall become immediately and fully vested to the extent of thirty three percent (33%) of such shares on November 5, 2015 and thirty four percent (34%) of such shares on November 5, 2016, subject to additional terms and conditions as set forth in the restricted stock award agreement.
- (2) Nonqualified stock options to purchase 25,000 shares of Common Stock vesting on each of May 4, 2011, May 4, 2012, May 4, 2013 and May 4, 2014.
- (3) Nonqualified stock options to purchase 6,250 shares of Common Stock vesting on each of April 5, 2014, April 5, 2015, April 5, 2016 and April 5, 2017.

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