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OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ASLETT MARK Issuer Symbol MERCURY COMPUTER (Check all applicable) SYSTEMS INC [MRCY] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **199 RIVERNECK ROAD** 08/21/2008 President and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CHELMSFORD, MA 01824 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3. Transactio | 4. Securities onAcquired (A) or | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect |
|------------------------|---|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| (Instr. 3) | • | any | Code | Disposed of (D) | Beneficially | (D) or Indirect | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | Owned | (I) | Ownership |
| | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Reported | | |
| | | | | (A) | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | or Amount (D) Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and A |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | orDerivative | Expiration Date | Underlying S |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | Securities | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4 |

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. | 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|---------|----|---|-----|------------------|--------------------|--------|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 8.26 | 08/21/2008 | | А | | 175,000 | | 08/21/2009(1) | 08/21/2015 | Common |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|------------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| ASLETT MARK 199 RIVERNECK ROAD CHELMSFORD, MA 01824 | | | President and CEO | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| Alex A. Van Adzin, Attorney-in-fact | | 09/03/2008 | | | | | | |
| **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).

(1) This option vests in four equal installments beginning on August 21, 2009.

(2) Field N/A to this transaction but was completed to allow for electronic filing only.

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