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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	AMES R		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC</u> [MRCY]		ationship of Reporting Pe < all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 34 POWERS ROAD		(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/02/2003		President and CEO		
(Street) HOLLIS	NH	03049	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applica Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person		

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. Transa Code (8)		5)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	09/02/2003		G	v	300	D	\$0.00 ⁽¹⁾	737,070 ⁽²⁾	D	

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)		Transaction of Code (Instr. Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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				

Explanation of Responses:

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

2. Includes 12,400 shares held by Mr. Bertelli's spouse.

Joseph M. Hartnett, Attorneyin-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

09/03/2003

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).

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