

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

Form 4

January 05, 2015

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Short Richard George

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.  
[MERC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

SUITE 1120, 700 WEST PENDER  
STREET

(Street)

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

12/31/2014

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Controller

VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 1G8

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                           |                                                                                                                    |                                                                      |                                                                   |
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount                                                                                                             |                                                                      | Price                                                             |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction<br>of Derivative | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities | 8. D |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------|
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------|

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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)     | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year)        | (Instr. 3 and 4) | S<br>(I             |                    |                 |                                        |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------|
|                            |                                                   |                         | Code               | V                                                                                 | (A)                     | (D)              | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Performance<br>Share Units | \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>                               | 12/31/2014              | A                  |                                                                                   | 6,329<br><sup>(2)</sup> |                  | <sup>(2)</sup>      | <sup>(2)</sup>     | Common<br>Stock | 6,329                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                        | Relationships |           |            |       |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|
|                                                                                       | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer    | Other |
| Short Richard George<br>SUITE 1120<br>700 WEST PENDER STREET<br>VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 1G8 |               |           | Controller |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Richard G.  
Short 01/05/2015

<sup>\*\*</sup>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) Each performance share unit represents a right to receive one share of common stock of Mercer International Inc.

Represents the vesting on December 31, 2014 of the second tranche of performance share units awarded to the reporting person based on  
(2) the achievement of certain specified performance criteria, including company performance, share price performance and individual performance during the 2011 to 2013 performance period.

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