MERGE HEALTHCARE INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Beneficial

Trust (2)

Form: Direct Indirect

(D) or

subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations

may continue.

See Instruction

if no longer

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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 **BROWN DENNIS** Issuer Symbol MERGE HEALTHCARE INC (Check all applicable) [MRGE] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 200 EAST RANDOLPH 03/01/2012 STREET, SUITE 2435 (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

3.

Code

(Inetr Q)

CHICAGO, IL 60601

(State)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

(Month/Day/Vear)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Stock

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

5. Amount of

Securities

262,740

Beneficially

	(Monui/Day/Tear)	Code V	Amount	(A) or	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock		Code V	7 tinount	(D) Thee	149,187	I	Trust (1)
Common					262.740	T	T (2)

4. Securities

Disposed of (D)

(Instr 3 4 and 5)

TransactionAcquired (A) or

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 Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie	
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Number Shares
Stock Options	\$ 6.33	03/01/2012		A	225,000 (3)	03/01/2013(4)	08/18/2018	Common Stock	225,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BROWN DENNIS 200 EAST RANDOLPH STREET SUITE 2435 CHICAGO, IL 60601

X

Signatures

/s/ Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for Dennis Brown

03/05/2012

**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) Shares of Common Stock held by the Dennis Brown Revocable Trust u/a dated 09/09/1999, of which Mr. Brown is the trustee and the beneficiary, the beneficial ownership of which Mr. Brown disclaims.
- (2) Shares of Common Stock held by the Maureen Brown 2011 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, of which the spouse of Mr. Brown is the grantor and Mr. Brown is the trustee, the beneficial ownership of which Mr. Brown disclaims.
- (3) Nonqualified stock options to purchase shares of Common Stock granted to Dennis Brown, member of the Board of Directors, in lieu of cash compensation in accordance with Merge Healthcare's Director Compensation Plan.
- (4) Nonqualified stock options to purchase 56,250 shares of Common Stock vesting on each of March 1, 2013, March 1, 2014, March 1, 2015 and March 1, 2016.

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