

Thatcher Robert J  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Thatcher Robert J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Cardiovascular Systems Inc [CSII]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 651 CAMPUS DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/18/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive VP

ST. PAUL, MN 55112  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 07/18/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 2,485 D   | 9,7989 <sup>(2)</sup>   | 109,174 <sup>(3)</sup>                                   | D   |

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)**

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| 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) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title  | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 12.37   |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 10/16/2015  | Common Stock   | 64,700                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 8.83  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 12/18/2016  | Common Stock   | 7,764                      |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 8.83  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 04/17/2017  | Common Stock   | 29,762                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 7.9   |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 08/06/2017  | Common Stock   | 22,645                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 12.15   |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 12/11/2017  | Common Stock   | 32,350                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 8.75  |                                      |  |                                |   | (4)  | 03/01/2019  | Common Stock   | 11,646                     |
| Warrant                                    | \$ 8.83  |                                      |  |                                |   | 02/25/2009   | 02/24/2014  | Common Stock   | 3,045                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |              |       |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer      | Other |
| Thatcher Robert J              |               |           | Executive VP |       |

651 CAMPUS DRIVE  
ST. PAUL, MN 55112

## Signatures

/s/ Scott J. Dorfman as Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Thatcher pursuant to Power of Attorney filed herewith.

07/19/2012

\_\_\_\_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) In connection with the vesting and delivery of restricted stock, and pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 26, 2009, as modified on August 23, 2011, shares were sold and the net proceeds were used to pay required withholding taxes.  
The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$9.58 to \$10.14 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., any security holder of Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) Includes 1,217 shares acquired through the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on December 31, 2011 and 1,306 shares acquired through the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on June 30, 2012.
- (3) Fully exercisable.
- (4) Fully exercisable.

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