

Brien David Edward  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|-----------------------|--|--|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |                       | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement   | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol       |   |
| Brien David Edward                        |                       | (Month/Day/Year)   | MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC [MERC]                          |   |
| (Last)                                    | (First)               | (Middle)   | 09/09/2005   |   |
| 4918 3RD AVENUE                           |                       | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   |  |   |
| (Street)                                  |                       | (Check all applicable)   |  |   |
| DELTA, A1 V4M 4C1                         |                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other<br>(give title below)    (specify below)<br>VP Zellstoff Celgar Limited |  |   |
| (City)                                    | (State)               | (Zip)  | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)     |   |
|   |                       |  | 09/12/2005   |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)           |                       | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)  | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| Shares of beneficial interest             | 10,000 <sup>(1)</sup> | D  |  |   |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Shares of beneficial interest   | 10,000 <sup>(1)</sup>                                 | D  |   |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
|  | Date Exercisable    Expiration Date                      | Title    Amount or Number of  | Derivative Security                                    | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect                      |   |

Shares (I)  
(Instr. 5)

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |         |                             |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------------------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                       |
| Brien David Edward<br>4918 3RD AVENUE<br>DELTA, A1 V4M 4C1 | Â             | Â         | Â       | VP Zellstoff Celgar Limited |

## Signatures

/s/ David Brien 09/13/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Mr. Brien was granted 10,000 restricted shares which vest in three equal installments on September 9, 2005, September 9, 2006 and September 9, 2007.

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