FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  THIBAUD DIDIER M C  |                                                                                                                                              |                                            |                                            |         |                                        |                                                          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC [ MRCY ] |       |                                                                |      |                        |                                                                                                   |                                   |                       | k all app<br>Dired<br>Offic           | blicable)<br>ctor<br>er (give title                                                             |                                                                   | Issuer<br>Owner<br>r (specify                                      |
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|                                                               |                                                                                                                                              |                                            |                                            |         |                                        |                                                          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/18/2010                       |       |                                                                |      |                        |                                                                                                   |                                   |                       | belov                                 | ,                                                                                               | belov<br>GM, ACS                                                  | v)                                                                 |
| (Street) CHELMSFORD MA 01824 (City) (State) (Zip)             |                                                                                                                                              |                                            |                                            |         |                                        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |                                                                                   |       |                                                                |      |                        |                                                                                                   |                                   | 6. Indi<br>Line)<br>X |                                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    |
|                                                               | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned                                                             |                                            |                                            |         |                                        |                                                          |                                                                                   |       |                                                                |      |                        |                                                                                                   |                                   |                       |                                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day |                                                                                                                                              |                                            |                                            |         |                                        | Execution Da                                             |                                                                                   | Date, | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.                               |      | 4. Securition Disposed |                                                                                                   |                                   |                       | Securi<br>Benefi                      | cially<br>d Following                                                                           | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |
|                                                               |                                                                                                                                              |                                            |                                            |         |                                        |                                                          |                                                                                   |       | Code                                                           | v    | Amount                 | (A) or<br>(D) Pri                                                                                 |                                   | rice                  | Transa                                | action(s)<br>3 and 4)                                                                           |                                                                   |                                                                    |
| Common                                                        | 2010                                                                                                                                         | 2010                                       |                                            | S       |                                        | 8,665(1)                                                 | ) [                                                                               | \$    | 11.012                                                         | 1    | 59,111                 | D                                                                                                 |                                   |                       |                                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    |
|                                                               | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |                                            |                                            |         |                                        |                                                          |                                                                                   |       |                                                                |      |                        |                                                                                                   |                                   |                       |                                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security                                                                        | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deen<br>Executio<br>if any<br>(Month/E | n Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr<br>8) |                                                          |                                                                                   |       | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |      | te                     | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                                   | Der<br>Sed<br>(Ins    | rice of<br>ivative<br>urity<br>tr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|                                                               |                                                                                                                                              |                                            |                                            |         | Code                                   | v                                                        | (A)                                                                               | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisa                                               | able | Expiration<br>Date     | Title                                                                                             | Amou<br>or<br>Numb<br>of<br>Share | er                    |                                       |                                                                                                 |                                                                   |                                                                    |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. The disposition of shares was to cover the required tax withholding triggered by the vesting of restricted stock.

Robert E. Hult, Attorney-in-

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

08/20/2010 Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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