Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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## 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*  SKALABRIN MARK F						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC [ MRCY ]										eck all appl Direct	onship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)		10% Ov Other (s	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 175 CRANE NECK ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/11/2006											,	vance	below) d Solution	1S	
(Street) WEST NEWBURY MA 01985					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				Date (Month/Day/\		Execution		ition Date	´	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				5) Securit Benefic Owned	ies cially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		eported ansaction(s) estr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/11/				1/200	2006				A		7,500		A	\$0.00	7	72,044		D			
			Table II -									sed of, onvertib				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, T		saction of Ex			Exp	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)				es Security	8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Dat	te ercisable		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$30.063	09/11/2006			D			15,000	10/	/10/2001 <sup>(</sup>	(2) 1	10/10/2010	Con	nmon	15,000	\$0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0		D		
Employee Stock Option (right to	\$37.15	09/11/2006			D			15,000	10/	′15/2002 <sup>l</sup>	(4)	10/15/2011	Com	nmon	15,000	\$0.00 <sup>(3)</sup>	0		D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On September 11, 2006, Mercury Computer Systems, Inc., cancelled, pursuant to its option exchange program, options granted to the reporting person on October 10, 2000 and October 15, 2001. In exchange the reporting person received a restricted stock award covering 7,500 shares which vests as to two-thirds of the covered shares on September 11, 2008 and one-third of the covered shares on September 11, 2009.
- 2. The cancelled option provided for vesting in four equal installments commencing on October 10, 2000. On June 20, 2005 the Company fully accelerated the vesting of this option.
- 3. Field N/A to this transaction but was completed to allow for electronic filing only.
- 4. The cancelled option provided for vesting under certain performance criteria. On June 20, 2005 the Company fully accelerated the vesting of this option.

Craig Barrows, Attorney-in-fact 09/12/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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