FORM 4

Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See

Instruction 1(b).

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Addree	ss of Reporting Pers DON	son*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MERCURY COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC</u> [MRCY]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2003		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Х	Form filed by One Report Form filed by More than (Person	0

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any '	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/16/2003		G		10,000	D	22.75	33,479	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transa Code (8)		of Expiration		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	Date A y/Year) S U D		and nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

Joseph M. Hartnett

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Date

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** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Joe Hartnett and Jack Alexander, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 4 or 5 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any o ther action of any type whatsoever which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be necessary or desirable in connection with the foregoing authority, it being understood that the documents executed by each such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve, provided, however, that the undersigned does not grant to each such power-of-attorney the right to engage in any transactions involving the securities of the Company on behalf of the undersigned, including without limitation, the right to purchase or sell any securities of the Company.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if perso nally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each such attorney-in-fact, or each such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes (any such substitute also being referred to herein as an "attorney-in-fact"), shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that each attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned or such attorney-in-fact, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

The undersigned agrees that each such attorney-in-fact shall not be liable for any error of judgment or for any act done or omitted to be done or for any mistake of fact or law except for each such attorney-in-fact's own bad faith, and the undersigned agrees to indemnify and to hold each such attorney-in-fact harmless against any los s, claim, damage, liability or cost incurred on each such attorney-in-fact's part arising out of or in connection with acts undertaken or omitted to be taken as an attorney-in-fact hereunder.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of

and transactions in securities of the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15 day of May 2003.

&n bsp; /s/ Gordon B. Baty

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