U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Flood, Douglas

( Last)       (First)         (Middle)

40 Constitution Drive

(Street)

Southborough, MA  01772

(City)       (State)       (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Mercury Computer Systems, Inc. ("MRCY")

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

March 2000

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer

( Check all applicable)

[ ]     Director                  [ ] 10% Owner

[ X ]     Officer (give title below) [ ] Other (specify below)

Vice President, Corporate Development

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

[ X ]     Form filed by One Reporting Person

[ ]     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

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<th>Derivative Securities</th>
<th>Exercise Date (Month/Day/Year)</th>
<th>Title and Amount of Underlying Securities of (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>Price at Exercisable Date (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
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(1) Includes 206 shares acquired December 31, 1999 pursuant to Mercury's Stock Purchase Plan

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

**FORM 4 (continued)**

**Explanation of Responses:**

(2) This option became/exercisable as to 8,000 shares on each of October 27, 1999, October 27, 2000, October 27, 2001,

(3) This option became exercisable as to 3,594 shares on January 31, 2000 and becomes exercisable as to an additional 32,000 shares on October 27, 2004.

/s/Douglas Flood                                      January 18, 2001
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**Signature of Reporting Person                             Date

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