

Cooper David Michael
Form 4
February 20, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Cooper David Michael

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.
[MERC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

02/18/2008

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

VP Sales & Marketing Europe

SUITE 2840, 650 WEST GEORGIA
STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

VANCOUVER, A1 V6B 4N8

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V	Amount		Price

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

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

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Units	\$ 0	02/18/2008	J		35,834 (1)		02/18/2011	02/18/2011	Common Shares	35,834 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cooper David Michael SUITE 2840 650 WEST GEORGIA STREET VANCOUVER, A1 V6B 4N8			VP Sales & Marketing Europe	

Signatures

/s/ David M.
Cooper

02/20/2008

Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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This number of performance units represents the maximum number of shares of common stock of Mercer International Inc. to which the individual will be entitled. Each performance unit represents one share of common stock and up to the maximum number of shares will

(1) vest after three years, depending upon the achievement of certain specified performance criteria including company performance, share price performance and individual performance. In the event of a change of control, the performance units may vest earlier than three years but remain subject to the performance criteria in determining the exact number of shares which will vest with the individual.

(2) Mr. Cooper also holds 30,000 stock options of Mercer.

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