Thatcher Robert J Form 4 August 23, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

See Instruction

Thatcher Robert J			Symbol Cardianasanlar Systems In a [CSII]					Issuer			
			Cardiovascular Systems Inc [CSII]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction								
651 CAMP	(Month/Day/Year) 08/21/2012					Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) Executive VP					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person					
ST. PAUL,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tah	le I - Non-I)erivative	Secui	rities A <i>c</i> aı	aired, Disposed of	or Reneficial	ly Owned	
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Day/Yea	r) Execution		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership I Form: Direct I (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	08/21/2012			S <u>(1)</u>	1,828	D	\$ 9.1909 (2)	127,195	D		
Common Stock	08/22/2012			S <u>(1)</u>	310	D	\$ 9.0245 (3)	126,885	D		
Common Stock	08/23/2012			S(1)	1,151	D	\$ 8.8973 (4)	125,734	D		

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 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.37					(5)	10/16/2015	Common Stock	64,700
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.83					(5)	12/18/2016	Common Stock	7,764
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.83					(5)	04/17/2017	Common Stock	29,762
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.9					(5)	08/06/2017	Common Stock	22,645
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.15					<u>(5)</u>	12/11/2017	Common Stock	32,350
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75					(5)	03/01/2019	Common Stock	11,646
Warrant	\$ 8.83					02/25/2009	02/24/2014	Common Stock	3,045

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Thatcher Robert J

651 CAMPUS DRIVE Executive VP

ST. PAUL, MN 55112

Signatures

/s/ Scott J. Dorfman as Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Thatcher pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed.

08/23/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) In connection with the vesting and delivery of restricted stock, and pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 23, 2011, on each date shares were sold and the net proceeds were used to pay required withholding taxes.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$9.00 to \$9.39 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., any security holder of Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$9.00 to \$9.08 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., any security holder of Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$8.74 to \$8.99 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., any security holder of Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (5) Fully exercisable.

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