

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

Form 4

January 07, 2016

**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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Cooper David Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

SUITE 1120, 700 WEST PENDER  
STREET

(Street)

VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 1G8

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.  
[MERC]

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

01/05/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

VP Sales & Marketing Europe

6. 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, 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)
Common Stock	01/05/2016		M	V Amount (A) or (D) 9,492 A	\$ 0 (1) 39,492	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2016		F	3,987 D	\$ (2) 8.96 35,505	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Units	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/05/2016		M	9,492 <sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	9,492

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cooper David Michael SUITE 1120 700 WEST PENDER STREET VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 1G8			VP Sales & Marketing Europe	

## Signatures

/s/ David  
Cooper 01/07/2016

                     \*\*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) Each performance unit represents a right to receive one share of common stock of Mercer International Inc.
- (2) Represents the average of the intraday high and low trading price on January 5, 2016.

- Represents the vesting on December 31, 2015 of the third tranche of performance share units awarded to the reporting person based on
- (3) the achievement of certain specified performance criteria, including company performance, share price performance and individual performance during the 2011 to 2013 performance period.

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