### MERCURY GENERAL CORP

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading NORMAN BRUCE E Issuer Symbol MERCURY GENERAL CORP (Check all applicable) [MCY] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ \_\_ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 27200 TOURNEY ROAD 12/13/2007 Senior Vice President (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting SANTA CLARITA, CA 91355 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	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	10/05/2007		Code V G	Amount 300	(D)	Price \$ 0	34,937	I	By Trust
Common Stock	12/13/2007		S	134	D	\$ 51.302	34,803	I	By Trust
Common Stock	12/13/2007		S	945	D	\$ 51.4401	33,858	I	By Trust

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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					4, and 5)						
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						Exercisable	Date		of		
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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
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NORMAN BRUCE E			Senior				
27200 TOURNEY ROAD			Vice				
SANTA CLARITA, CA 91355			President				

# **Signatures**

Judy Walters, Attorney-in-Fact for Bruce
Norman

12/17/2007

\*\*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) Includes ESOP allocation for disposition since last report
- (2) Sale by son
- (3) Sale by son

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