

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC.

Form 4

February 27, 2017

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 *
MERWIN BRIAN

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)
SUITE 1120, 700 WEST PENDER
STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/23/2017

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
VP Strategic Initiatives

(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 V6C 1G8

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	02/23/2017		M		8,595	A \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	39,115 D
Common Stock	02/23/2017		F		4,298	D \$ ⁽²⁾ 12.33	34,817 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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Units	\$ 0	02/23/2017		A	8,595 (3)	(3) (3)	Common Stock 8,595
Performance Share Units	\$ 0	02/23/2017		M	8,595 (1)	(1) (1)	Common Stock 8,595

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MERWIN BRIAN SUITE 1120 700 WEST PENDER STREET VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 1G8	VP Strategic Initiatives

Signatures

Brian Merwin 02/27/2017

__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) Represents the conversion of vested performance share units ("PSUs").

(2) Represents the average of the intraday high and low trading price on February 23, 2017.

Represents the vesting on February 23, 2017 of PSUs awarded to the reporting person based on the achievement of certain specified performance criteria, including company performance, share price performance and individual performance during the 2014 to 2016 performance period.

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