

Sutton John
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Sutton John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MERCURY GENERAL CORP
[MCY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
4484 WILSHIRE BLVD.
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/15/2013

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

LOS ANGELES, CA 90010

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					369	I	ESOP Plan
Common Stock	05/15/2013		M	10,000 A \$ 33.6091	10,000	D	
Common Stock	05/16/2013		S	10,000 D \$ 45.8453	0	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of S
Common Stock	\$ 58.8312	10/28/2005		A	10,000	10/28/2006	10/28/2015	Common Stock	10,
Common Stock	\$ 33.6091	05/15/2013		S	10,000	05/01/2010	05/01/2019	Common Stock	10,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sutton John 4484 WILSHIRE BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90010			Vice President	

Signatures

Judy Walters, Attorney-In-Fact for John Sutton
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 05/17/2013
 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).

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