

MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
KELLOGG PETER R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

48 WALL STREET, C/O IAT
 REINSURANCE CO LTD

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10005

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**MERCER INTERNATIONAL INC
 [MERC]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
08/20/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner
 ___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

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 | 08/20/2010 | | P | 0 A \$ 0 | 7,643,409 | I ⁽¹⁾ | BY IAT REINSURANCE CO. LTD |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/20/2010 | | P | 0 A \$ 0 | 357,562 | 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 Underlying (Instr. 3) | |
|---|--|---|---|-----------------------------------|---|---|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| 8.5% SENIOR SUBORDINATED CONVERTIBLE NOTES | \$ 3.3 | 08/20/2010 | | P | 2,281,806 | 01/16/2010 | 01/16/2012 | COMMON STOCK |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KELLOGG PETER R 48 WALL STREET C/O IAT REINSURANCE CO LTD NEW YORK, NY 10005 | | X | | |

Signatures

PETER R KELLOGG/MARGUERITE GORMAN/ATTORNEY IN FACT 08/20/2010

__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) IAT REINSURANCE CO LTD., A BERMUDA CORPORATION OF WHICH MR KELLOGG IS THE SOLE HOLDER OF VOTING STOCK. MR KELLOGG DISCLAIMS BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF THESE SHARES.

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