

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**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Short Richard George

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)  
01/05/2016

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

(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  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/05/2016		M	V Amount (A) or (D) 6,329 A	\$ 0 (1) 24,749	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2016		F	3,165 D	\$ (2) 8.96 21,584	D	

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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. Date of Acquisition or Disposition (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)
Performance Share Units	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/05/2016		M	6,329 <sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	6,329

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Short Richard George SUITE 1120 700 WEST PENDER STREET VANCOUVER, A1 V6C 1G8	Director 10% Owner Officer Other VP, Controller

## Signatures

/s/ Richard Short 01/07/2016

<sup>\*\*</sup>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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