

MERGE TECHNOLOGIES INC

Form 3

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**FORM 3****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Â NORTON STEVEN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6737 WEST WASHINGTON  
STREET,Â SUITE 2250

(Street)

MILWAUKEE,Â WIÂ 53214-5650

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event  
Requiring Statement  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/08/20073. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MERGE TECHNOLOGIES INC [MRGE]4. Relationship of Reporting  
Person(s) to Issuer5. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10%  
Owner\_\_X\_\_ Officer \_\_\_\_ Other  
(give title below) (specify below)  
CFO & Treasurer6. 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 Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities  
Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership  
Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially  
owned directly or indirectly.

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Security  
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and  
Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)Date Exercisable Expiration  
Date3. Title and Amount of  
Securities Underlying  
Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)Title Amount or  
Number of  
Shares4. Conversion  
or Exercise  
Price of  
Derivative  
Security5. Ownership  
Form of  
Derivative  
Security:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)6. Nature of Indirect  
Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

(Instr. 5)

|               |                           |            |                 |         |         |   |   |
|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---|---|
| Stock Options | 02/09/2007 <sup>(1)</sup> | 01/08/2013 | Common<br>Stock | 225,000 | \$ 6.02 | D | Â |
|---------------|---------------------------|------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---|---|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                           | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|                                                                                          | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| NORTON STEVEN R<br>6737 WEST WASHINGTON STREET<br>SUITE 2250<br>MILWAUKEE, WI 53214-5650 | Â             | Â         | Â CFO & Treasurer | Â     |

## Signatures

/s/ Julie Ann B. Schumitsch,  
by Power of Attorney for  
Steven R. Norton

01/17/2007

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The option to purchase shares of the Company's Common Stock granted on January 9, 2007 following the announcement of the appointment as Chief Financial Officer, exercisable as follows: 48 equal monthly portions of 4,687.5 beginning on February 9, 2007.

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