FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Stewart Michael J</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [FRME]									eck all ap Dire	ctor	109	6 Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 E JACKSON STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2012									X belo	er (give title w) Chief Ban	bel	Other (specify below)	
(Street) MUNCIE			7305 Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 07/03/2012						Lin	e) X Forr Forr	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Transact Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)				5) Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect					
							Code	v	Amount (A		or	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111541. 4)			
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ 06/30/			/2012	2012		A		87 A		A	\$12.2	39	39,505.383						
	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 Security 1. Title of Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution if any (Month/Day/Year)		n Date,		ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		rative rities ired r osed) : 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		str. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership et (Instr. 4)				

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Employee stock option (Right to Buy) = 24,000
- $2.\ Includes\ 32,990.252\ shares\ held\ in\ restricted\ stock\ awards.$

3. On July 3, 2012, the reporting person inadvertently filed a duplicate Form 4 that reported transactions which had previously been reported on a Form 4 filed earlier July 3, 2012. The amount of securities beneficially owned as reported in Table I, Col 5 of both Forms 4 filed on July 3, 2012 are the same as reported on this form amendment.

Remarks

Amandment is being filed to withdraw duplicate filing in error on 07/03/2012.

<u>Justin Bates (Confirming</u>
<u>Statement on File)</u>

07/05/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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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