FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [FRME] Sherman Patrick A Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) below) below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 06/30/2015 200 E JACKSON STREET 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) Line) (Street) Form filed by One Reporting Person 47305 **MUNCIE** IN Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Transaction Execution Date. Securities Form: Direct of Indirect (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) Beneficially Owned Following (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) if any 5) Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Code Amount Price

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned	
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)	

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20.08

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\$24.7

\$24.9

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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. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

Common Stock

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1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 5,664 shares

Remarks:

Deanna Brass (Confirming 07/02/2015 Statement on File)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

29.078.367(1)

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** 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).

06/30/2015

07/01/2015

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