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>Lehman Gary</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [ FRME ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 E JACKSON ST							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2013								Offic belo	er (give title w)	Othe belov	r (specify v)	
(Street)  MUNCIE IN 47305  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or E	3ene	eficia	lly Own	ed			
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	ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111501.4)	
Common Stock 11/01/20							.013		P		87.05	A \$1		\$19.14	46 19,8	352.806 <sup>(1)</sup>	D		
	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. Deen Execution if any (Month/E	Date, Transa Code (			of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo of (D) (Instr	of		6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins and 4)		str. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ıble	Expiration Date	Title	or Nun of Sha	nber					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 4,686 shares

## Remarks:

Rhonda D. Bost (Confirming Statement on File)

11/05/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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