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 and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST MERCHANTS CORP [FRME]								(Ched	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) 12/02/2013									Offic belov	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify)	
(Street) MUNCIE IN 47305 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3. 4. Securitie Transaction Code (Instr.) 8)						Securi Benefi Owned	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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Common Stock 12/02/2						013		P		79.399	A	A \$20.99		19,932.205(1)		D			
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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. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transacti Code (Ins				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 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	able	Expiration Date	Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		er					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 4,686 shares

Remarks:

<u>Jennifer Mainord (Confirming</u> Statement on File) <u>1</u>

12/03/2013

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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