## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP	
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1. Name and Address of Reporting WOJTOWICZ JEAN L	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>FIRST MERCHANTS CORP</u> [FRME ]									nship of Reporting P applicable) Director	10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 200 E JACKSON STREET						Earliest Trans 15				Officer (give title	below)		Other (spe	ecify below)				
(Street) MUNCIE IN 47305				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individu X	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (S	tate)	(Zip	))															
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transacti Date (Month/Day	Execu	Execution Date,		3. Transaction 4. Se Code (Instr. 8) 3, 4 a			(A) or Dispose		5. Amount of Securit Beneficially Owned F Reported Transaction	ollowing	6. Ownership Direct (D) or I (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.	
				(wonth/bay	(Montl	(Month/Day/Year)		v	Amount		(A) or (D)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)		4)	
Common Stock					06/30/2015		Α		(	500	Α	\$24.7	17,824.216	17,824.216(1)				
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	se (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transad (Instr. 8)	tion Code	Code 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			e and 7. Title and Amount of Sec Derivative Security (Instr.		rities Underlying and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following	e Form s (D) o illy (I) (In	wnership 1: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		piration te			Amount or Number of Shar	es	Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)			

Explanation of Responses: 1. Includes Restricted Stock Awards totaling 5,664 shares

Remarks:

Exhibit 24; Confirming Statement

Deanna Brass (Confirming Statement on File) 07/02/2015 \*\* 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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CONFIRMING STATEMENT

This statement confirms that the undersigned, Jean L. Wojtowicz, has authorized and designated, Jennifer Mainord, Deanna Brass or Rhonda Bost, to execute and fil

\_\_/s/ Jean L. Wojtowicz\_\_\_\_\_ Jean L. Wojtowicz

Date: December 8, 2014