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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Date of Event 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Requiring Statement À NORTON STEVEN R MERGE TECHNOLOGIES INC [MRGE] (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original 01/08/2007 Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 6737 WEST WASHINGTON (Check all applicable) STREET, Â SUITE 2250 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Director 10% Owner Filing(Check Applicable Line) X Officer Other _X_ Form filed by One Reporting (give title below) (specify below) Person MILWAUKEE, WIÂ 53214-5650 CFO & Treasurer Form filed by More than One

(City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficially

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Reporting Person

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable Expirat Date	on	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	(mail b)

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(Instr. 5)

Stock Options $02/09/2007_{\underline{(1)}} 01/08/2013 \frac{\text{Common}}{\text{Stock}} 225,000 \$ 6.02$ D \hat{A}

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

NORTON STEVEN R

6737 WEST WASHINGTON STREET SUITE 2250 MILWAUKEE. WIÂ 53214-5650

 \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} CFO & Treasurer \hat{A}

Signatures

/s/ Julie Ann B. Schumitsch, by Power of Attorney for

01/17/2007

Steven R. Norton

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- The option to purchase shares of the Company's Common Stock granted on January 9, 2007 following the announcement of the appointment as Chief Financial Officer, exercisable as follows: 48 equal monthly portions of 4,687.5 beginning on February 9, 2007.

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