Deese Willie A
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Deese Willie A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE MERCK DRIVE, P.O. BOX 100

(Street)

WHITEHOUSE STATION, NJ 08889-0100

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
MERCK & CO INC [(MRK)]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/24/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Exec.VP & President, MMD

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								40,082.1732 (1)	D	
Common Stock - 401(k) Plan								465.3685 (2)	I	By 401(k)

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

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An Nu Sh
Employee Stock Option 2009/04/24 (right to buy)	$ 23.45	04/24/2009		A		127,400		04/24/2010(3)	04/23/2019	Common Stock	12

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Deese Willie A ONE MERCK DRIVE P.O. BOX 100 WHITEHOUSE STATION, NJ 08889-0100			Exec.VP & President, MMD	

Signatures

Debra A. Bollwage as Attorney-in-Fact for Willie A. Deese	04/27/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** 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).

(1) Holdings include shares acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions.

(2) Includes shares acquired and dividends earned through January 2, 2009 in the Merck & Co., Inc. Employee Savings and Security Plan, a 401(k) plan.

(3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning April 24, 2010.

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