TIRADOR GABRIEL

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

TIRADOR GABRIEL

MERCURY GENERAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

[MCY]

Symbol

X Director X_ Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify

10% Owner

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

below) below) President / Director

1700 GREENBRIAR LANE 03/12/2009

(Middle)

(7:-

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BREA, CA 92821

(C:tr.)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		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)	
Common Stock			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	932	I	ESOP Plan
Common Stock	03/12/2009		P	4,000	A	\$ 24.3872	26,088	D	

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or	inNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock	\$ 41.56				10/26/2002	10/26/2011	Common Stock	50,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TIRADOR GABRIEL 1700 GREENBRIAR LANE BREA, CA 92821	X		President	Director			
Signatures							

Judy Walters, Attorney-In-Fact for Gabriel 03/12/2009 Tirador

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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