#### VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ac WILSON DO	^	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [VAR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last)  C/O VARIA SYSTEMS, I WAY, M/S I	NC., 3100 H		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2008	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  EVP and Pres. Oncology Sys.
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

### PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securi oror Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (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	09/22/2008		M	3,500	A	\$ 40.57	59,395	D	
Common Stock	09/22/2008		S(1)	1,027	D	\$ 60.95	58,368	D	
Common Stock	09/22/2008		S(1)	500	D	\$ 61.8502	57,868	D	
Common Stock	09/22/2008		S(1)	500	D	\$ 61.8802	57,368	D	
	09/22/2008		S(1)	500	D		56,868	D	

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Common Stock					\$ 61.9402		
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 61.995	56,368	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 62.23	56,268	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 62.2302	56,168	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 62.24	56,068	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	4	D	\$ 62.2602	56,064	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	196	D	\$ 62.27	55,868	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 62.28	55,468	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 62.2802	55,368	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 62.3802	54,868	D
Common Stock	09/22/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	500	D	\$ 62.535	54,368	D

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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	2.	2. 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed				6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of		
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	onof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
	Security				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	
	\$ 40.57	09/22/2008		M	3,500	(2)	01/10/2015		3,500	

Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WILSON DOW R C/O VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC. 3100 HANSEN WAY, M/S E-327 PALO ALTO, CA 94304

EVP and Pres. Oncology Sys.

### **Signatures**

/s/ Franco N. Palomba, Attorney in Fact for Dow R. Wilson

09/23/2008

\*\*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) This transaction is pursuant to the filer's SEC Rule10b5-1 Stock Plan
- (2) Stock option granted under the Varian Medical Systems, Inc. Omnibus Stock Plan, which complies with Rule 16b-3. The option vests as follows: one third on 01/10/06, and the remaining shares in 24 installments over the 24 months following the first vesting date.

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