

Thatcher Robert J
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Thatcher Robert J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Cardiovascular Systems Inc [CSII]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/24/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive VP

651 CAMPUS DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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ST. PAUL, MN 55112

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
Common Stock	08/24/2012		S ⁽¹⁾	287 D	\$ 9.0296 125,447	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)

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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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.37					(3) 10/16/2015		Common Stock	64,700
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.83					(3) 12/18/2016		Common Stock	7,764
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.83					(3) 04/17/2017		Common Stock	29,762
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.9					(3) 08/06/2017		Common Stock	22,645
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.15					(3) 12/11/2017		Common Stock	32,350
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75					(3) 03/01/2019		Common Stock	11,646
Warrant	\$ 8.83					02/25/2009 02/24/2014		Common Stock	3,045

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thatcher Robert J			Executive VP	

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Signatures

/s/ Scott J. Dorfman as Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Thatcher pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed.

08/28/2012

____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) In connection with the vesting and delivery of restricted stock, and pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 23, 2011, on each date shares were sold and the net proceeds were used to pay required withholding taxes.
The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$8.98 to \$9.20 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., any security holder of Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (3) Fully exercisable.

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