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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Seidman Christine E
( Last ) ( First ) ( Middle )

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Merck & Co., Inc. [ MRK ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)
6/28/2024

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

☐ _X__ Director
☐ ___ 10% Owner
☐ ___ Officer (give title below)
☐ ___ Other (specify below)

MERCK & CO., INC., 126 EAST LINCOLN AVENUE
(RAHWAY, NJ 07065)
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Title of Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)</th>
<th>Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>6/28/2024</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>100 D</td>
<td>Direct (D)</td>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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<tr>
<th>Derivative Security</th>
<th>Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Deemed Execution Date, if any</th>
<th>Trans. Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</th>
<th>Title and Amount of Derivative Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)</th>
<th>Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)</th>
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<td>Phantom Stock</td>
<td>1-for-1</td>
<td>6/28/2024</td>
<td></td>
<td>A</td>
<td>65.63 (1)</td>
<td>Date Exercisable (2) Expiration Date</td>
<td>Common Stock 65.63 $123.8 14,815.5246 (2)</td>
<td>D</td>
<td></td>
<td>Direct (D)</td>
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Explanation of Responses:
(1) 1-for-1
(2) Phantom stock units are to be settled 100% in cash upon reporting person's termination of service in accordance with a distribution schedule elected pursuant to the terms of the Plan for Deferred Payment of Directors' Compensation.
(3) Holdings include shares acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address
Seidman Christine E
MERCK & CO., INC.
126 EAST LINCOLN AVENUE
RAHWAY, NJ 07065

Relationships
Director 10% Owner Officer Other

X

Signatures

/s/ Kelly E. W. Grez as Attorney-in-Fact for Christine E. Seidman 7/2/2024

**Signature of Reporting Person Date**
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).


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