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
   MIZELL STEVEN  
   MERCK & CO., INC., 126 EAST LINCOLN AVENUE  
   RAHWAY, NJ 07065

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)
   8/14/2023

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
   X Officer (give title below)
   EVP, Chief HR Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing
   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

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<tr>
<th>Title of Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)</th>
<th>Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>8/14/2023</td>
<td>S</td>
<td>4,250 D</td>
<td>22,935,145 D</td>
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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<th>Title of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Trans. Date</th>
<th>Trans. Code</th>
<th>Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)</th>
<th>Date Exercisable and Expiration Date</th>
<th>Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security</th>
<th>Price of Derivative Security</th>
<th>Ownership Form of Derivative Security Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)</th>
<th>Ownership Form of Derivative Security Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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**Explanation of Responses:**

**Reporting Owners**

**Signatures**

/s/ Kelly E. W. Grez as Attorney-in-Fact for Steven C. Mizell  
8/15/2023

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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