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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 *				2.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol							Relationsh	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
		1 8											(Check all ap	plicable)			
Seidman Ch	ristine E	2		N	1er	ck & Co	., Inc	. [M	RK]							
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)							Y)	X_ Director				
`	, ,												Officer (g	ve title belo	w)Oth	er (specify b	pelow)
MERCK & CO., INC., 126 EAST						6/30/2025											
LINCOLN A																	
	(Str	reet)		4.	If A	Amendmen	ıt, Date	Origi	nal Fi	iled (N	1M/E	DD/YYYY)	6. Individual	or Joint/C	Group Filing	(Check Appl	icable Line)
DALIWAY I	N I 07065	•												0 7			
RAHWAY, NJ 07065					-								X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(1	City) (S	tate) (Zi	p)											,	1 3		
			Table I	- Non-De	eriva	ative Secu	rities A	cquir	red, D	Dispos	ed o	of, or Be	neficially Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans.			2	2. Trans. Dat	Date 2A. Deemed 3. Trans. C			Code	Code 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. A				Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned 6. 7. Nature				
					ate, if any	(Instr. 8)		or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Following Reported (Instr. 3 and 4)	Transaction	saction(s)	Ownership Form:	nip of Indirect Beneficial		
					Da	ite, ir any			(IIIst	1. J, ¬ a.	na 5)	'	(msu. 5 and 4)			Direct (D)	Ownership
											(A) o	or.				or Indirect (I) (Instr.	(Instr. 4)
							Code	V	Amo		(D)					4)	
Common Stock															100	D	
	Ta	ble II - Dei	rivative S	Securities	s Be	eneficially	Owned	(e.g.,	, puts	s, calls	s, w	arrants,	options, conve	rtible sec	urities)		
1. Title of Derivate		3. Trans.	-	ed 4. Trans.						Exercisable			d Amount of		9. Number of		11. Nature
Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise	Date	Execution Date, if an			Derivative S Acquired (A							ecurities Underlying Perivative Security		derivative Securities	Ownership Form of	of Indirect Beneficial
	Price of					Disposed of	(D)		(Instr. 3 an				4) (Instr. 5)		Beneficially		Ownership
	Derivative Security					(Instr. 3, 4 a	nd 5)								Owned Following	Security: Direct (D)	(Instr. 4)
								Date		Expira	tion	Title	Amount or Number of		Reported	or Indirect	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Exerc	cisable	Date		Title	Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Phantom Stock	(1)	6/30/2025		A		102.64	02	!	(2)	(2)	<u>)</u>	Common Stock	102.6402	\$79.16	18,495.8789 (3)	D	

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

Panorting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Seidman Christine E MERCK & CO., INC.	v							
126 EAST LINCOLN AVENUE RAHWAY, NJ 07065	21							

Signatures

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

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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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