

MEREDITH CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**ZIESER JOHN S**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1716 LOCUST STREET

(Street)

DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MEREDITH CORP [MDP]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**08/22/2014**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Chief Development Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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**

| 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) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock (\$1 par value) <u>(1)</u>              | 08/22/2014                           |  | S                              |   | 1,821.9444  | D  | \$ 47 0   |
| Common Stock (Restricted) (\$1 par value) <u>(2)</u> |                                      |  |                                |   | 23,500  | D  |   |
| Common Stock (\$1 par value)                         |                                      |  |                                |   | 168.612   | I  | by Managed Account                                    |

(1) (3)

|                              |    |   |                                       |
|------------------------------|----|---|---------------------------------------|
| Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 19 | I | Former custodial account for children |
|------------------------------|----|---|---------------------------------------|

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)

| 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) |                              |                         |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------|-------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                        | Amount Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units <u>(4)</u>                    | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   | 08/08/1988   | 08/08/1988  | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 6,800                   |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(5)</u> | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   | 08/09/2014   | 08/09/2021  | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 81,000                  |
| Stock equivalent units <u>(6)</u>                    | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   | 08/08/1988   | 08/08/1988  | Common Stock (\$1 par value) | 61,136                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                   | Relationships |           |                           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |
| ZIESER JOHN S<br>1716 LOCUST STREET<br>DES MOINES, IA 50309-3023 |               |           | Chief Development Officer |       |

## Signatures

By: Teresa T. Rinker, by Power of Attorney For: John S.  
Zieser

08/26/2014

\_\_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) Shares held by the reporting person in street name.
  - (2) Shares were awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corporation Stock Incentive Plans. The shares are subject to forfeiture and are nontransferable until vested, either on the third or the fifth anniversary of the grant date, as specified in each award agreement.
  - (3) Shares held in reporting person's Meredith Corp. Savings & Investment Plan account; and Meredith Corp. Employee Stock Purchase Plan account, upon all of which quarterly dividends are paid in the form of additional Common Stock (\$1 par value).
  - (4) Restricted Stock Units granted pursuant to Meredith Corporation's 2004 Stock Incentive Plan which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1 par value) on a 1-for-1 basis upon the completion of a three-year period of service. Quarterly dividends are paid in cash.
  - (5) Nonqualified stock options awarded pursuant to the Meredith Corporation 2004 Stock Incentive Plan, which become exercisable one-third per year over a three-year period beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, expire on the tenth anniversary of the grant date, and have exercise prices as specified in each award agreement.
  - (6) Stock equivalents issued pursuant to Meredith Corporation's Deferred Compensation Plan or Stock Incentive Plan which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1 par value) on a one-for-one basis in connection with the reporting person's retirement from or termination of Meredith Corporation employment.

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