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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ISSUER

MERCK & CO INC

CIK: **64978** | IRS No.: **221109110** | State of Incorporation: **NJ** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **2834** Pharmaceutical preparations

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REPORTING OWNER

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person GILMARTIN RAYMOND V			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERCK & CO INC [(MRK)]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) COB, President, CEO	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2005			
ONE MERCK DRIVE, P.O. BOX 100			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(Street) WHITEHOUSE STATION, NJ 08889-0100						
(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock	(1)	04/28/2005		A		1,578.396		(2)	(3)	Common Stock	1,578.396	\$33.79	134,636.497 (4)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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- The Merck Deferral Program includes the right of redesignation to other investment measures within the Program.
- Distributions of phantom stock are made in shares of Merck Common Stock, with cash payable for partial shares, in accordance with a distribution schedule elected by the reporting person. This distribution is subject to conditions and limitations of the Merck Deferral Program.
- Holdings include shares acquired in dividend reinvestment transactions.

Signatures

Debra A. Bollwage as Attorney-in-Fact for Raymond V. Gilmartin

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2005

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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