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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

THYAGARAJAN VENKATRAMAN 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [VAR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2009

X_ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC., 3100 HANSEN WAY, MAIL STOP E-327

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PALO ALTO, CA 94304-1030

(City)

(Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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| 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year | | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A | Securities |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D |) Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Deferred Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 02/13/2009 | | A | 2,691 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 2,691 |
| Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 37.17 | 02/13/2009 | | A | 5,000 | 02/13/2009(3) | 02/13/2016 | Common Stock | 5,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| THYAGARAJAN VENKATRAMAN C/O VARIAN MEDICAL SYSTEMS, INC. 3100 HANSEN WAY, MAIL STOP E-327 PALO ALTO, CA 94304-1030 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Franco N. Palomba, attorney-in-fact for Venkatraman
Thyagarajan

02/18/2009

**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) Each Deferred Stock Unit represents the right to receive one share of VAR common stock.
- (2) The Deferred Stock Units vest in four equal quarterly installments over a 12 month period beginning February 13, 2009. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person the earlier of three years from the grant date, or termination/retirement date.
- (3) Stock option granted under the Varian Medical Systems, Inc. Second Amended and Restated 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan, which complies with Rule 16b-3.

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