

THORATEC CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
Lehman David Aaron

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6035 STONERIDGE DRIVE

(Street)

PLEASANTON, CA 94588

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
THORATEC CORP [THOR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/08/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP and General Counsel

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 10/01/2015                           |  | G                              | 1,263   | D \$ 0  | 53,512   | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 10/08/2015                           |  | A                              | 18,143<br>(1)   | A \$ 0  | 71,655   | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 71,655  | D \$ 63.5   | 0  | D                                 |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 14.97   | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 21,000  | <u>(2)</u> 02/27/2018                                    | Common Stock  | 21,000                     |                            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 23.93   | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 13,637  | <u>(2)</u> 02/25/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 13,637                     |                            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 29.81   | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 23,468  | <u>(2)</u> 03/03/2020                                    | Common Stock  | 23,468                     |                            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 27.3  | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 30,000  | <u>(2)</u> 03/01/2021                                    | Common Stock  | 30,000                     |                            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 33.99   | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 28,379  | <u>(3)</u> 03/09/2022                                    | Common Stock  | 28,379                     |                            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 35.68   | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 28,335  | <u>(4)</u> 03/07/2023                                    | Common Stock  | 28,335                     |                            |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 35  | 10/08/2015                           |  | D                              | 26,697  | <u>(5)</u> 03/17/2024                                    | Common Stock  | 26,697                     |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |                         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                 | Other |
| Lehman David Aaron<br>6035 STONERIDGE DRIVE<br>PLEASANTON, CA 94588 |               |           | SVP and General Counsel |       |

## Signatures

/s/ David A.

Lehman

10/08/2015

\_\_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) Represents time based vesting Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") issued upon the settlement of Performance Share Units ("PSUs") of the Issuer. The PSUs were accelerated in full (with performance-based conditions for such units treated as having been obtained at the "maximum" level), and, immediately thereafter, vesting of the underlying RSUs were accelerated in full immediately prior to the Issuer's merger with St. Jude Medical, Inc., a Minnesota corporation.

(2) This option, which is fully vested and exercisable, was cancelled pursuant to the terms and conditions of an Agreement and Plan of Merger executed by the Issuer in exchange for a cash payment equal to (i) the number of shares of Issuer common stock underlying the option multiplied by (ii) the excess of \$63.50 over the per share exercise price of such option.

(3) This option, which provided for vesting in four equal annual installments commencing one year after March 9, 2012, was cancelled pursuant to the terms and conditions of an Agreement and Plan of Merger executed by the Issuer in exchange for a cash payment equal to (i) the number of shares of Issuer common stock underlying the option multiplied by (ii) the excess of \$63.50 over the per share exercise price of such option.

(4) This option, which provided for vesting in four equal annual installments commencing one year after March 7, 2013, was cancelled pursuant to the terms and conditions of an Agreement and Plan of Merger executed by the Issuer in exchange for a cash payment equal to (i) the number of shares of Issuer common stock underlying the option multiplied by (ii) the excess of \$63.50 over the per share exercise price of such option.

(5) This option, which provided for vesting in four equal annual installments commencing one year after March 17, 2014, was cancelled pursuant to the terms and conditions of an Agreement and Plan of Merger executed by the Issuer in exchange for a cash payment equal to (i) the number of shares of Issuer common stock underlying the option multiplied by (ii) the excess of \$63.50 over the per share exercise price of such option.

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