

MEREDITH CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)
08/07/2007

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 ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Chief Development Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X 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)
Common Stock (Restricted) (\$1 par value) (1)	08/07/2007		A	5,000	A \$ 0 6,507	D	
Common Stock (\$1 par value)					232	D	
Common Stock (\$1 par value) (2)					12,631	I	by Managed Account

Common
Stock (\$1 par
value) ⁽³⁾

1,856

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (4)	\$ 53.9	08/07/2007		A		20,000		08/07/2010	08/07/2017	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	20,000
Restricted stock units (5)	\$ 0	08/07/2007		A		3,500		08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	3,500
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (6)	\$ 28.0625							08/09/2008	08/08/2010	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	12,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (7)	\$ 28.0625							08/09/2001	08/09/2010	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	18,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (8)	\$ 33.1563							08/12/2000	08/10/2009	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (7)	\$ 33.1563							08/11/2000	08/11/2009	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	18,000

Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(7)</u>	\$ 34.8	08/08/2002	08/08/2011	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	22
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(7)</u>	\$ 37.1563	02/01/2000	02/01/2009	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	18
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(7)</u>	\$ 39.05	08/13/2003	08/13/2012	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	25
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 46.165	08/12/2006	08/12/2013	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	30
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(9)</u>	\$ 46.165	08/12/2011	08/13/2013	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	30
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 46.21	08/08/2009	08/08/2016	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	20
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 49.1	08/09/2008	08/09/2015	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	20
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(4)</u>	\$ 49.97	08/10/2007	08/10/2014	Common Stock (\$1 par value)	40
Stock equivalent units	\$ 0	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock (\$1 par value) <u>(10)</u>	3,

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

JOHN S.
ZIESER

08/09/2007

 Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) 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.
- (2) Shares held in reporting person's IRA account; Meredith Corp. Savings & Investment Plan account; and Employee Stock Purchase Plan account, upon all of which quarterly dividends are paid in the form of additional Common Stock (\$1 par value).
- (3) Shares purchased by spouse for her own account and the children's custodial accounts.
- (4) This option was granted pursuant to the Meredith Corp. Stock Incentive Plans and becomes exercisable in its entirety on the third anniversary of the date of grant.

Restricted stock units (granted pursuant to Meredith Corp.'s 2004 Stock Incentive Plan), which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1 par value) on a one-for-one basis: 3,500, upon the attainment of specified EPS growth targets and the completion of a three-year period of service; and the balance upon retirement from or termination of Meredith Corp. employment. Quarterly dividends are accrued in the form of additional restricted stock units.
- (5) This option was granted pursuant to the '96 Meredith Corp. Stock Incentive Plan and will become exercisable in full August 9, 2008. Graduated percentages of the option, however, will become exercisable August 13, 2003, if specified EPS growth targets set forth in Exhibit A to the Nonqualified Stock Option Award agreement are met.
- (6) This option was granted pursuant to the '96 Meredith Corp. Stock Incentive Plan and becomes exercisable in three equal annual installments, commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

This option was granted pursuant to the '96 Meredith Corp. Stock Incentive Plan and will become exercisable in full February 12, 2007. Graduated percentages of the option, however, will become exercisable August 12, 2000, if specified EPS growth targets set forth in Exhibit A to the Nonqualified Stock Option Award agreement are met.
- (7) This option was granted pursuant to the '96 Meredith Corp. Stock Incentive Plan and will become exercisable in full on August 12, 2011. Graduated percentages of the option, however, will become exercisable on August 12, 2006, if specified EPS growth targets set forth in Exhibit A to the Nonqualified Stock Option Award agreement are met.
- (8) Stock equivalents issued pursuant to Meredith Corp.'s deferred compensation plan which will be converted to Common Stock (\$1 par value) on a one-for-one basis upon the reporting person's retirement from or termination of Meredith Corp. employment. Quarterly dividends are accrued in the form of additional stock equivalents. Data in this footnote would normally appear in the Title, Exercisable Date, and Price columns.
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