

THORATEC CORP
Form 4
May 15, 2015

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Antonucci Marta

(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)
05/15/2015

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)

President, International

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	05/15/2015 ⁽²⁾		A	V Amount (D) Price 13,080 A \$ 0 (3)	13,080	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)

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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. 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 An Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 44.75	05/15/2015		A	37,314	05/15/2016 ⁽⁴⁾ 05/15/2025	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Antonucci Marta 6035 STONERIDGE DRIVE PLEASANTON, CA 94588			President, International	

Signatures

/s/David A. Lehman,
Attorney-In-Fact

05/15/2015

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Represents restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of Thoratec Corporation common stock upon vesting. The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments commencing one year after the grant date.

(2) Initial equity grant according to the Company's Amended and Restated 2006 Incentive Stock Plan. The authorized equity grant will be processed according to the Company's monthly grant process and will take place on the first available grant date immediately following the equity grant approval.

(3) Restricted stock units and options were granted pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 2006 Incentive Stock Plan with no payment received for the restricted stock units and options.

(4) Options vest in four equal annual installments commencing one year after the grant date.

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