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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION									OMB APPROVAL			
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See Instruct 1(b).	ction	30(h)) of the Inv	vestme	ent (Compan	y Act	of 19	40			
(Print or Type R	esponses)											
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Ellis Gary Lee			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MEDTRONIC INC [MDT]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Check					k all applicable)				
	IC, INC., 710 IC PARKWA	Y, M.S.	(Month/D 12/16/20	-	r)				Director X Officer (give below) VP, Corp			
				ndment, Date Original th/Day/Year)					 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
MINNEAPO	DLIS, MN 554	32-5604							Person	More than One R	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Noi	n-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ar) Executi any	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	Code	8)		d (A) of d of (E 4 and (A) or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/16/2004			G	V	700	D	\$0	8,788.577 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Deferred Stock Units									1,006.974	D		
Common Stock									3,573.161	I	By 401(k) Plan	
Common Stock									6,110.566	Ι	By ESOP	

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ellis Gary Lee MEDTRONIC, INC. 710 MEDTRONIC PARKWAY, M.S. LC310 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55432-5604			VP, Corp Controller & Treas				
Signatures							
Neil P Avotte							

. Ayone, 12/17/2004 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Includes 548 shares acquired under the 1995 Employees Stock Purchase Plan on November 1, 2004.

Date

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