

FULTON STEVEN P
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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 *
 FULTON STEVEN P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1010 MURRY RIDGE LANE

(Street)

MURRYSVILLE, PA 15668

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RESPIRONICS INC [RESP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/29/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	10/28/2004		M	3,800 A	\$ 16.875	4,580	D
Common Stock	10/28/2004		M	5,000 A	\$ 23.25	9,580	D
Common Stock	10/28/2004		S	3,800 D	\$ 49.101	5,780	D
Common Stock	10/28/2004		S	5,000 D	\$ 49.326	780	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 16.875	10/28/2004		M	3,800	12/27/1997 12/27/2007	Common Stock	3,800
Common Stock	\$ 23.25	10/28/2004		M	5,000	10/08/1997 10/08/2006	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FULTON STEVEN P 1010 MURRY RIDGE LANE MURRYSVILLE, PA 15668			VP and General Counsel	

Signatures

Dorita A. Pishko;
Attorney-in-fact

10/29/2004

__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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