

Cardiovascular Systems Inc  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**NELSON GLEN D**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

651 CAMPUS DRIVE

(Street)

ST. PAUL, MN 55112

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**Cardiovascular Systems Inc [CSII]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**11/30/2010**

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)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	266,853	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	246,524	I	Held by LLC <sup>(2)</sup>

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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.37							(3)	11/30/2015	Common Stock	9,700
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.28							(3)	11/30/2014	Common Stock	6,470
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.83							(3)	12/18/2016	Common Stock	12,900
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.9							(3)	10/08/2017	Common Stock	4,320
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.38							(3)	11/12/2017	Common Stock	15,000
Warrant	\$ 8.78							07/19/2006	07/19/2011	Common Stock	12,100
Warrant	\$ 9.28							09/12/2008	09/12/2013	Common Stock	53,900
Warrant	\$ 8.83							02/25/2009	02/24/2014	Common Stock	56,500
Warrant (right to buy)	\$ 9.28	11/30/2010		P <sup>(1)</sup>		117,399		11/30/2010	09/12/2013	Common Stock	117,399
Warrant (right to buy)	\$ 8.83	11/30/2010		P <sup>(1)</sup>		452,729		11/30/2010	02/24/2014	Common Stock	452,729
Restricted Stock Units	(4)							(4)	(4)	Common Stock	5,710
	(4)							(4)	(4)		11,620

Restricted  
Stock  
Units

Common  
Stock

Restricted  
Stock (5)  
Units

(5) (5)

Common  
Stock 21,73

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NELSON GLEN D 651 CAMPUS DRIVE ST. PAUL, MN 55112	X			

## Signatures

/s/ John R. Remakel as Attorney-in-Fact for Glen D. Nelson pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed.

12/02/2010

\_\_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) Warrants purchased in private transactions.
- (2) Shares are held by GDN Holdings, LLC, of which Dr. Nelson is the sole owner.
- (3) Fully exercisable.

Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive a payment from CSI equal in value to the market price per share of CSI common stock on the date of payment and shall be payable in shares of the Company's Common Stock beginning six months following the termination of each director's board membership.

- (5) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive a payment from CSI equal in value to the market price per share of CSI common stock on the date of payment, and shall be payable in cash or shares of the Company's Common Stock beginning six months following the termination of each director's board membership; provided, however, that the restricted stock units vest in quarterly amounts of 5,435 on each of 9/30/2010, 12/31/2010, and 3/31/2011 and 5,434 on 6/30/2011.

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