FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* DE KRETSER DAVID MORRITZ			. Date of Event Requiring Staten Month/Day/Year 2/17/2003	nent 3	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MARSHALL EDWARDS INC [MSHL]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MARSHALL EDWARDS INC 140 WICKS ROAD					Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			(N	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street) NORTH RYDE NSW 2113 (City)	C3 (State)	(Zip)	_			Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		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 Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)				4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		2. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		nd 3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secu			4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date	Expiration			Amount or Number of	Derivative Security				

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned.

David Morritz de Kretser 12/17/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly \ or \ indirectly.$

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