STERIS CORP Form 4 August 04, 2008

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

RICHEY JOSEPH B II Symbol STERIS CORP [STE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 5960 HEISLEY ROAD 07/31/2008 below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MENTOR, OH 44060 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Shares, 07/31/2008 M 10,000 Α \$ 30.5 135,237 D No Par Value Common Shares, S 10,000 D 07/31/2008 125,237 D 34.1974 No Par Value Common Shares, 07/31/2008 1,097 \$0 126,334 (1) D Α No Par Value

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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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)	Securitie Acquired Disposed	ve es d (A) or	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Director Stock Option Exercise	\$ 30.5	07/31/2008		M		10,000	02/01/1999	08/01/2008	Common Shares, No Par Value	10,0
Option to Purchase Common Shares	\$ 34.17	07/31/2008		A	2,744		01/31/2009	07/31/2018	Common Shares, No Par Value	2,74

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RICHEY JOSEPH B II 5960 HEISLEY ROAD MENTOR, OH 44060	X						

Signatures

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized Representative under Power of Attorney

08/04/2008

**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) 1,097 of these Common Shares are restricted. The restrictions on these 1,097 Common Shares lapse on February 2, 2009.

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