UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) October 25, 2006

STERIS Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction

1-14643 (Commission File Number) 34-1482024 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

5960 Heisley Road, Mentor, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices)

44060-1834 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (440) 354-2600

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 8.01. Other Events.

Quarterly Dividend Authorized

On October 25, 2006, the Board authorized the payment of a regular quarterly dividend in the amount of \$0.05 per share. The dividend is payable December 13, 2006 to shareholders of record at the closing of the stock transfer books on November 15, 2006. A copy of the press release announcing this action is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

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ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued by STERIS Corporation on October 25, 2006 regarding a Quarterly Dividend.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STERIS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Laurie Brlas

Laurie Brlas Senior Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: October 27, 2006

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