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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Ac BURKE PET	*	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERIS CORP [STE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
5960 HEISLEY ROAD (Street) MENTOR, OH 44060			(Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2008	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP & Chief Tech. Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			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 Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Aco	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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)
Shares, No Par Value	01/07/2008		M	5,000	A	\$ 18.25	18,000	D	
Common Shares, No Par Value	01/07/2008		S <u>(1)</u>	5,000	D	\$ 30.0544	13,000 (2)	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number or 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 or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Exercise	\$ 18.25	01/07/2008		M	5,000	(3)	04/05/2011	Common Shares, No Par Value	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BURKE PETER A 5960 HEISLEY ROAD MENTOR, OH 44060

Sr. VP & Chief Tech. Officer

Signatures

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized Representative under Power of Attorney

01/08/2008

**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) This open market sale is pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Stock Trading Plan entered into by the Reporting Person on December 19, 2007.
- (2) 8,000 of these Common Shares are restricted. The restrictions on these Common Shares lapse as follows: 4,000 on September 7, 2009 and 4,000 on July 27, 2010.
- (3) These Stock Options became exercisable as follows: 3,750 on March 5, 2002 and 1,250 on March 5, 2003.

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