FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  MCGINLEY MARK D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERIS CORP [ STE ]									ck all applic Directo	able) r	g Person(s) to Is		wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5960 HEISLEY ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2010									X	below)	Officer (give title below) Sr. VP, Gen Cou		Other (specify below) unsel, and Sec.		
(Street)  MENTOR OH 44060  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Indivi										Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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1. Title of	Security (Ins			2. Trans Date (Month	saction	Execution Date, if any			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			or	and Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	Shares, No		11/02/2010					М		22,50	0 A \$		22.58	39,414			D			
Common	Shares, No		11/0	11/02/2010				S <sup>(1)</sup>		22,50	D \$35		\$35	16,914(2)			D			
Common	Shares, No	Par Value													4,9	993		I 1	See Footnote Below. <sup>(3)</sup>	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	tive Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.				exercis on Date Day/Yea				8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Cod	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of Sha							
Employee Stock Option Exercise	\$22.58	11/02/2010			M			22,500	(4)		05/23/2013	Commo Shares No Par Value	22	500	\$0	0		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These open market sales of a total of 22,500 Common Shares is pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Stock Trading Plan entered into by the Reporting Person on September 9, 2010.
- 2. 10,350 of these Common Shares are restricted. The restrictions on these Common Shares lapse as follows: 2,850 on May 23, 2011, 3,300 May 21, 2012 and 4,200 on May 20, 2014.
- 3. Represents 5,093.385 units of the STERIS Corporation 401(k) Plan STERIS Stock Fund which equals 4,993 share equivalents as of November 2, 2010.
- 4. These options became exercisable as follows: 5,625 on April 23, 2004, 5,625 on April 23, 2005, 5,625 on April 23, 2006, and 5,625 on April 23, 2007.

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized Representative under Power of 11/04/2010 <u>Attorney</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- \* 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).

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