FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LANCASTER RAYMOND A  |   |            |  |         | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STERIS CORP [ STE ] |                               |           |        |                                   |                           |  |   | Relationship<br>neck all appli         | g Person(s) to Issuer   |   |   |                       |  |
|--|---|------------|--|---------|--|-------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|---|--|---|---|---|-----------------------|--|
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| (Street) MENTOR OH 44060   |   |            |  |         | 4.1  | f Ame                         | ndment, [ | Date ( | of Origin                         | al File                   | ed (Month/Da   | 6. Lin  | e) X Form                              | Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person |   |   |                       |  |
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| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day  |   |            |  |         | ction  | on 2A. Deemed Execution Date, |           |        | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |                           | 4. Securities Acquired (A) on Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a |   |  | 5. Amor<br>Securiti<br>Benefic<br>Owned   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following   |   | et o                  | . Nature<br>f Indirect<br>leneficial<br>ownership                  |
|  |   |            |  |         |  |                               |           |        | Code                              | v                         | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D)   | Price                                  | Transac   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   |                       | nstr. 4)   |
| Restricted Common Shares <sup>(1)</sup> 08/05/2  |   |            |  |         | /2005  | 05                            |           |        | A                                 |                           | 514  | A   | \$27.23                                | L <sup>(2)</sup> 9  | 9,362   |   |                       |  |
| Common Shares, no par value  |   |            |  |         |  |                               |           |        |                                   |                           |  | 2   | 2,000                                  |   | I   | See<br>Sootnote<br>Below <sup>(3)</sup>                 |                       |  |
| Common Shares, no par value  |   |            |  |         |  |                               |           |        |                                   |                           |  |   |  | 1   | 500   | I   | F                     | See<br>Footnote<br>Below <sup>(4)</sup>                            |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |            |  |         |  |                               |           |        |                                   |                           |  |   |  |   |   |   |                       |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |            | 3A. Deen<br>Executio<br>if any<br>(Month/D | n Date, | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8)   |                               |           |        | 6. Date<br>Expirati<br>(Month/    | on Da                     |  | 7. Title an<br>of Securit<br>Underlyin<br>Derivative<br>(Instr. 3 a | ies<br>g<br>Security                   | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)                               | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | Owners<br>Form:<br>Direct (I<br>or Indire<br>(I) (Instr | t (D)<br>lirect       | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |            |  |         | Code   | v                             | (A)       | (D)    | Date<br>Exercis                   | able                      | Expiration<br>Date   | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |   |   |                       |  |
| Option to<br>purchase<br>common<br>shares  | \$26.93   | 08/05/2005 |  |         | A  |                               | 10,000    |        | 02/06/2                           | :006                      | 09/05/2015   | Common<br>shares,<br>no par<br>value                                | 10,000                                 | \$0   | 10,000  | ) 1   | )                     |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These shares vest as follows: 2/7ths on 1/31/06, 1/7th on each of the following dates: 2/28/06, 3/31/06, 4/28/06, 5/31/06 and 6/30/06.
- $2. \ The \ Price is the \ average of the \ Closing \ Prices \ during \ the \ 10 \ consecutive \ trading \ days \ starting \ 7/25/05 \ through \ 8/05/05.$
- 3. 2,000 shares are held by Mr. Lancaster's wife. Mr. Lancaster disclaims beneficial ownership of the common shares held by his wife.
- 4. 1,500 are held by Mr. Lancaster's Rollover IRA.

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized Representative under Power of 08/09/2005 <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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