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* BURKE PETER A | | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERIS CORP [STE] | | | | | | | | all appli Directo | or 10% C | | 10% Ow | /ner |
|--|---|--|---|---|--|-----------------|---|---|---|-------|--|--|---------|--|---|--|---|--|---|
| (Last) 5960 HE | (Fi | rst) AD | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2013 | | | | | | | | | below) | | f Tec | Other (s below) ch. Officer | · | | |
| (Street) MENTOR OH 44060 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | - 4. l | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) Compared to the proof of the pr | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - N | Non-Deri | vative | e Sec | uriti | ies A | cquire | ed, D | isposed c | of, or B | enefic | ially | Owned | l | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | 3. Transa Code (8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an | | | Benefic Owned | | ies Fo ially (D Following (I) | | n: Direct r Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | Reporte Transac (Instr. 3 | ction(s) | | 1 | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Shares, No Par Value 02/06/201 | | | | | | 3 | | | M | | 5,000 | A | \$27. | .44 | 24 | 24,444 | | D | |
| Common Shares, No Par Value 02/06/201 | | | | | | 13 | | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 5,000 | D | \$39.63 | 5392 ⁽²⁾ 19 | | 19,444 ⁽³⁾ | | D | |
| | | Т | able I | | | | | | | | sposed of, , converti | | | | wned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transa Code (8) | | | vative urities uired or oosed O) tr. 3, 4 | 6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/ | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4) | | De Se (In | Price of erivative ecurity str. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | y | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | de V (A) | | (D) | Date Exerci | sable | Expiration Date | Amo or Num of Title Sha | | er | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option Exercise | \$27.44 | 02/06/2013 | | | M | | | 5,000 | (4 | 1) | 05/22/2014 | Commor Shares, No Par Value | 5,00 | 0 | \$0 | 10,000 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These open market sales of a total of 5,000 Common Shares is pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Stock Trading Plan entered into by the Reporting Person on August 7, 2012.
- 2. This represents the average sales price of the shares sold. The actual 8 sales prices ranged from \$39.5000 per share to \$39.8100 per share. Issuer, upon request by the SEC staff, will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each of these 8 sales prices.
- 3. 7,450 of these Common Shares are restricted. The restrictions on these Common Shares lapse as follows: 4,200 on May 20, 2014, 750 on May 31, 2013, 750 on June 2, 2014 and 750 on June 1, 2015 and
- 4. These options became exercisable as follows: 2,000 on April 22, 2006 and 3,000 on April 22, 2007.

/s/ Dennis P. Patton, **Authorized Representative**

02/07/2013

under Power of Attorney ** Signature of Reporting Person

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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