

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>McCullagh Patrick J</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>5960 HEISLEY ROAD</u> (Street) <u>MENTOR OH 44060</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>04/28/2005</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>STERIS CORP [STE]</u> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP, Quality Systems Eng & Reg</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Common Shares, No Par Value</u>	<u>181</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>See Footnote Below.⁽¹⁾</u>

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
<u>Option to purchase Common Shares</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>08/08/2012</u>	<u>Common shares, no par value</u>	<u>18.64</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Option to purchase Common Shares</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>05/23/2013</u>	<u>Common shares, no par value</u>	<u>22.58</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Option to purchase Common Shares</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>05/22/2014</u>	<u>Common shares, no par value</u>	<u>27.44</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares held through STERIS Corporation's 401(k) Plan.
2. These options are exercisable in 25% increments on: 7/08/03, 7/08/04, 7/08/05, and 7/08/06
3. These options are exercisable in 25% increments on: 4/23/04, 4/23/05, 4/23/06, and 4/23/07
4. These options are exercisable in 25% increments on: 4/22/05, 4/22/06, 4/22/07, and 4/22/08

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized
Representative under Power of 05/03/2005
Attorney.

** 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 5 (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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