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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>TOKICH MICHAEL J</u> | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERIS CORP [STE] | | | | | | | | | Relationship eck all applic Directo | cable) or | ng Pers | 10% Ow | ner | |
|--|---|--|---|-----------------------|---|--------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|---|---|----------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) 5960 HE | (F ISLEY RO | • | (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2008 | | | | | | | | | | Consider (Give title of the Country Section Selow) SVP & Chief Financial Officer | | | | · |
| (Street) MENTO | R O | Н | - 4. I - | If Ame | endment, [| Oate o | of Origina | Filed | (Month/Da | Line | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran | | | . Transaction late Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | | | | d (A) or | 5. Amou Securitie Beneficie Owned F | nt of es ally following | 6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4) | : Direct or Indirect If str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Shares, No Par Value | | | | 03/1 | 03/14/2008 | | | | A | | 4,600 | 0 A | | \$0 | 8,200(1) | | | D | |
| Common Shares, No Par Value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 1,460 | | | I 1 | See Footnote Below. ⁽²⁾ | |
| | | - | Table II - | | | | | | | | sed of, onverti | | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/ | ate, Transa Code (| | | | ve es d ed nstr. | Expiration | i. Date Exercisab Expiration Date Month/Day/Year) | | of Securities | | s Security | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e s Illy | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | expiration vate | Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Option to Purchase Common Shares | \$26.41 | 03/14/2008 | | | A | | 13,600 | | (3) | 0 | 3/14/2018 | Com: Shai No: Val | res, Par | 13,600 | \$0 | 13,60 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. All 8,200 of these Common Shares are restricted. The restrictions on these Common Shares lapse as follows: 1,400 on September 7, 2009, 1,500 on July 27, 2010, 700 on April 12, 2008 and 4,600 on March
- 2. Represents 1513.0677 units of the STERIS Corporation 401(k) Plan STERIS Fund which equals 1,460 share equivalents as of March 14, 2008.
- 3. These options become exercisable in 25% increments on March 14, 2009, March 14, 2010, March 14, 2011 and March 14, 2012.

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized
Representative under Power of 03/18/2008
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 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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