FORM 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STERIS CORP [STE] | | | | | | | | | ck all appli Directo | ationship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title | | son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s | ner |
|--|---|--|------------|---------|---|---|---------|------|--|------|------------------|---|-----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 5960 HEISLEY ROAD | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/12/2006 | | | | | | | | | below) | below) Sr. Vice Pres, Hu | | below) | |
| (Street) MENTO (City) | MENTOR OH 44060 | | | | - 4. II | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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. Transa Date (Month/D | | | | | | Execution D | | | Code (I | | Dispose | ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a | | or and | 5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned I Reporte | es For ially (D) Following (I) (| | n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) (D) | r Pri | rice Transac (Instr. 3 | | ion(s) | | | |
| | | ī | able II - | | | | | | | | | , or Ben | | | Owned | | , | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | if any ' | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | ı of l | | 6. Date Exi Expiration (Month/Da | Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | tive ties cially l ing ed ction(s) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | | Date Exercisabl | | xpiration ate | Title | Amor or Numl of Share | oer | | | | | |
| Option to Purchase Common Shares | \$24.72 | 09/12/2006 | | | A | | 8,000 | | (1) | 09 | 9/12/2016 | Common Shares, No Par | 8,00 | 00 | \$0 | 8,000 |) | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. These options become exercisable in 25% increments on September 12, 2007, September 12, 2008, September 12, 2009 and September 12, 2010.

Dennis P. Patton, Authorized Representative under Power of 09/13/2006 **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).
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