

STERLING CONSTRUCTION CO INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HEMSLEY MAARTEN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
STERLING CONSTRUCTION CO INC [STRL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 20810 FERNBUSH LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/18/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

HOUSTON, TX 77073
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common stock	01/18/2008		M		25,000	A	\$ 0.875
Common Stock	01/23/2008		M		25,000	A	\$ 0.875
Common Stock	01/23/2008		M		5,000	A	\$ 3.1

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 0.875	01/18/2008		M	25,000	12/18/1998 10/27/2013	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 0.875	01/23/2008		M	25,000	12/18/1998 10/27/2013	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.1	01/23/2008		M	5,000	<u>(1)</u> 08/12/2014	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HEMSLEY MAARTEN D 20810 FERNBUSH LANE HOUSTON, TX 77073		X		

Signatures

/s/ Roger M. Barzun, under a Power of Attorney
01/23/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) The shares under this option are exercisable in four equal installments, on the date of the grant and on the first three anniversaries of the date of the grant.

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