

Breeden Richard C
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Breeden Richard C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BREEDEN CAPITAL
 MANAGEMENT LLC, 100
 NORTHFIELD STREET

(Street)

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 STERIS CORP [STE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/28/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Shares, No Par Value | 01/28/2009 | | A | | 1,400 (1) | A | \$ 26.78 |
| Common Shares, No Par Value | | | | | 3,594 (2) | D | |
| | | | | | 5,067,321 | I | |

See footnotes (3) (4)

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Breeden Richard C C/O BREEDEN CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC 100 NORTHFIELD STREET GREENWICH, CT 06830 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Richard C.
Breeden

01/30/2009

**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).
- Pursuant to the governing documents of Breeden Partners L.P., Breeden Partners (California) L.P., Breeden Partners (California) II L.P.,
- (1) Breeden Partners Holdco Ltd. and Breeden Partners (Cayman) Ltd. (the "Funds"), any profits realized with respect to these shares will be apportioned among the Funds.
 - (2) 1,097 of these Common Shares are restricted. The restrictions on these 1,097 Common Shares lapse on February 2, 2009. Pursuant to the governing documents of the Funds, any profits realized with respect to these shares will be apportioned among the Funds.
 - (3) Richard C. Breeden is the managing member of Breeden Capital Partners LLC, managing member and chairman and chief executive officer of Breeden Capital Management LLC and the Key Principal of Breeden Partners (Cayman) Ltd. Breeden Capital Partners LLC is in turn the general partner of Breeden Partners L.P., Breeden Partners (California) L.P. and Breeden Partners (California) II L.P.
 - (4) Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, Mr. Breeden in his capacity as managing member, as well as chairman and chief executive officer of Breeden Capital Management LLC, may be deemed to be the indirect beneficial owner of the Common Shares owned by the Funds; however, he disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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