STRYKER CORP Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WINKEL THOMAS R

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

2725 FAIRFIELD ROAD

(Street)

KALAMAZOO, MI 49002

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

STRYKER CORP [SYK]

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

04/22/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Owned Following (A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Director

Applicable Line)

_X__ Officer (give title

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

below) V.P., Admin, and Secretary

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

Estimated average

burden hours per

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date orNumber of Shares Common Common (1) 04/21/2015 30,000 \$ 48.27 04/22/2005 Α 30,000 Stock Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WINKEL THOMAS R 2725 FAIRFIELD ROAD KALAMAZOO, MI 49002

V.P., Admin, and Secretary

Signatures

Thomas R. 04/26/2005 Winkel

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Stock option granted under the Stryker Corporation 1998 Stock Option Plan, exercisable as to 20% on each of the first five anniversaries of the date of grant.

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