STRYKER CORP

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * COX HOWARD E JR

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

STRYKER CORP [SYK] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Director

(Check all applicable)

2825 AIRVIEW BLVD.

(Month/Day/Year)

02/12/2008

Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Instr. 4)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

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

KALAMAZOO, MI 49002

(State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

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

(Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

Following Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

or

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(Instr. 4)

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 (Instr. 3) Price of

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

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number 4. Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired

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

7. Title and Amount of 8. **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security				(A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 67.8	02/12/2008	A		7,400		<u>(1)</u>	02/11/2018	Common Stock	7,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COX HOWARD E JR 2825 AIRVIEW BLVD. KALAMAZOO, MI 49002	X						

Signatures

Howard E. Cox,
Jr.

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

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