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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Dierker David F Issuer Symbol SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 303 PEACHTREE STREET 02/10/2009 below) below) Corp. EVP & Chief Adm. Off. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ATLANTA, GA 30308 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 7,073 D

Stock

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Common Ι 4,930.361 401(k) (1) Stock Common Restricted

32,600 A

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	(D)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock Units (3)	<u>(3)</u>						(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	1,235.7
Option (4	§ 73.0625						11/09/2002	11/09/2009	Common Stock	1,90
Option (5	<u>9</u> \$51.125						11/14/2003	11/14/2010	Common Stock	4,00
Option (5	<u>()</u> \$ 64.57						11/13/2004	11/13/2011	Common Stock	3,50
Option (5	<u>()</u> \$ 54.28						02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	10,0
Option (5	<u>()</u> \$ 73.19						02/10/2007	02/10/2014	Common Stock	4,00
Option (6	\$ 73.14						02/08/2008	02/08/2015	Common Stock	18,0
Option (6	<u>\$ 71.03</u>						02/14/2009	02/14/2016	Common Stock	30,0
Option (6	<u>\$ 85.06</u>						02/13/2010	02/13/2017	Common Stock	30,0
Option (6	<u>6)</u> \$ 64.58						02/12/2011	02/12/2018	Common Stock	70,0
Option (6	§ 9.06	02/10/2009		A	238,475		02/10/2012	02/10/2019	Common Stock	238,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Dierker David F			Corp. EVP & Chief Adm. Off.				
303 PEACHTREE STREET							

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ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

David A. Wisniewski, Attorney-in-Fact for David F. Dierker

02/12/2009

**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).
- (1) Because the stock fund component of the 401(k) is accounted for in unit accounting, the number of share equivalents varies based on the closing price of SunTrust stock on the applicable measurement date.
- Restricted stock held under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan and SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan. Subject to certain vesting conditions. Restricted stock agreements contain tax withholding features allowing stock to be withheld to satisfy tax withholding
- obligations. Both plans are exempt under Rule 16(b)-3. Includes 5,701 shares of restricted stock which vest on 02/14/2009, 5,237 shares which vest on 2/13/2010 and 32,600 shares which vest on 02/10/2012.
- (3) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan. These phantom stock units convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the 1995 SunTrust Executive Stock Plan.
- (5) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- (6) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.

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