

NICHOLS MICHAEL C

Form 4

December 17, 2004

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NICHOLS MICHAEL C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1390 ENCLAVE PARKWAY

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77077-2099

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
SYSCO CORP [SYY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/17/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
VP,Gen Counsel,Corp Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__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

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)
Common Stock	12/17/2004		M	2,700	A	\$ 7.1875	33,355.5691 D
Common Stock	12/17/2004		F	522	D	\$ 37.11	32,833.5691 D
Common Stock						434.4361	I Children

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy) - Date Granted 8/31/95	\$ 7.1875	12/17/2004		M	2,700	<u>(1)</u> 08/31/2005	Common Stock	2,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NICHOLS MICHAEL C 1390 ENCLAVE PARKWAY HOUSTON, TX 77077-2099			VP, Gen Counsel, Corp Secretary	

Signatures

Michael C.
Nichols 12/17/2004

 **Signature of
Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Grants are made annually with exercises not permitted prior to the first anniversary of the grant. If certain performance criteria are met, one-third (1/3) of the shares covered by the grant vest on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant.

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