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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations may continue. Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Sullivan Tin	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SUNTRUST BANKS INC [STI]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	fiddle) 3. Date of	f Earliest Ti	ransaction	(,	
250 PIEDM	ONT AVENUE	(Month/E 02/10/2	•		DirectorX Officer (given below) Corp. E	ve title 100 below) VP & Chief Infe	her (specify	
	4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Common Stock 714 D

Common 936.702 I 401(k) (1)

Code V Amount

or

(D) Price

 Common Stock
 02/10/2009
 A
 16,300 A
 \$ 0
 36,424
 I
 Restricted Stock (2)

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

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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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 on Derivative Securities Acquired (ADisposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	A) or f (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Phantom Stock Units (3)	(3)						(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,136.2
Option (4)	\$ 54.28						02/11/2006	02/11/2013	Common Stock	25,0
Option (4)	\$ 73.19						02/10/2007	02/10/2014	Common Stock	18,0
Option (5)	\$ 73.14						02/08/2008	02/08/2015	Common Stock	18,0
Option (5)	\$ 71.03						02/14/2009	02/14/2016	Common Stock	33,0
Option (5)	\$ 85.06						02/13/2010	02/13/2017	Common Stock	33,0
Option (5)	\$ 64.58						02/12/2011	02/12/2018	Common Stock	62,0
Option (5)	\$ 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					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Sullivan Timothy E						
250 PIEDMONT AVENUE			Corn FVP & Chief Info Off			

ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

David A. Wisniewski, Attorney-in-Fact for Timothy E.
Sullivan

02/12/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reporting Owners 2

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) Plan 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 granted under SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan. Restricted stock agreements contain tax withholding features (2) allowing stock to be withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations. This plan is exempt under Rule 16(b)-3. Includes 6,842 shares of restricted stock which will vest on 2/14/2009, 5,237 shares which vest on 2/13/2010 and 16,300 shares which vest on 02/10/2012.
- (3) The phantom stock units were acquired under SunTrust Banks, Inc.'s 401(k) excess benefit plan. These securities convert to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- (5) Granted pursuant to the SunTrust Banks, Inc. 2004 Stock Plan.

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