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FORM 4

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

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(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VAUGHAN STEPHEN C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SONIC CORP [SONC]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 04/06/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Vice President and CFO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Securities Security or Exercise any Code (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amo of Underlying Securities

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of Sha
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 34.62	04/06/2006		A		3,171		04/06/2009	04/06/2013	common stock	3,
Non-qualified stock option (right to buy)	\$ 34.62	04/06/2006		A		6,045		04/06/2009(1)	04/06/2013	common stock	6,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VAUGHAN STEPHEN C 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

Vice President and CFO

Signatures

Stephen C. Vaughan 04/07/2006

**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) One-third of the options vest on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.

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