SONIC CORP Form 4 January 21, 2014

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **OReilly James Patrick**

300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONIC CORP [SONC]

(First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

01/16/2014

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior Vice Pres. and CMO

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

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OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104 (State)

(Street)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

(A)

Common Stock

(City)

Code V Amount

D

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)

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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 or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.58	01/16/2014		A	4,859	<u>(1)</u>	01/16/2021	Common Stock	4,85
Non-qualifed Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.58	01/16/2014		A	16,619	<u>(1)</u>	01/16/2021	Common Stock	16,61

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OReilly James Patrick

300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE Senior Vice Pres. and CMO

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

Signatures

Carolyn C. Cummins for James P. 01/21/2014

**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) One-third of the total number of options granted on January 16, 2014 will vest on each of the first three anniversary dates following the date of grant.

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