SONIC CORP Form 4 February 02, 2006

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

OMB Number:

3235-0287

Expires:

January 31, 2005

0.5

Estimated average burden hours per

OMB APPROVAL

response...

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5

obligations

Check this box

SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

HUDSON J CLIFFORD

300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE

(First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONIC CORP [SONC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2006

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

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below) below) President and CEO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Issuer

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

(State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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 of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and An Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** of Underlying Security or Exercise any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) Securities

Edgar Filing: SONIC CORP - Form 4

(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) (Instr. 3 and 4) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title Date 01 of Non-qualified common stock option \$ 28.95 01/31/2006 A 10,000 01/31/2009(1) 01/31/2016 stock (right to buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HUDSON J CLIFFORD 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE	X		President and CEO	
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	Λ		Flesident and CEO	

Signatures

/s/J. Clifford
Hudson

**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 all options vest on each of the first three anniversary dates following the date of grant.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

Reporting Owners 2