

Elsenhans Lynn Laverty
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Elsenhans Lynn Laverty

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1735 MARKET STREET
 (Street)

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103-7583

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SUNOCO INC [SUN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/03/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO/President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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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)						Title	Amount Number Shares
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.29	12/03/2008	A	279,400			12/03/2009 ⁽¹⁾	12/03/2018		Common Stock	279,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Elsenhans Lynn Laverty 1735 MARKET STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103-7583	X		CEO/President	

Signatures

/s/ Louisa K. Cresson, Attorney-in-Fact	12/05/2008
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) Stock options (right to buy Sunoco, Inc. common stock) exercisable in one-third installments on the anniversary of the date of grant (i.e. the first installment exercisable on December 3, 2009, the second installment exercisable on December 3, 2010, and the remaining installment exercisable on December 3, 2011), pursuant to the Sunoco, Inc. Long-Term Performance Enhancement Plan II "LTPEP II"), in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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