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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FAIRBAIRN URSULA F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SUNOCO INC [SUN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1801 MARKET STREET

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

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

12/17/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

below)

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

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103-1699

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

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Derivative Disposed of (D)
Security (Instr. 3, 4, and

5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date Number Shares

243.62

Phantom

Stock \$0 (1) 12/17/2004 A(2) 243.627 08/08/1988 08/08/1988 Common Stock

Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FAIRBAIRN URSULA F 1801 MARKET STREET X PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103-1699

Signatures

/s/ John J. DiRocco, Jr., Attorney-in-fact for

y-in-fact for 12/17/2004

**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) The conversion rate is 1 for 1.
- (2) Crediting of share units representing voluntary deferred compensation pursuant to the Sunoco, Inc. Directors Deferred Compensation Plan, in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).

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