

HOBBS RICHARD F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**HOBBS RICHARD F**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**SENSIENT TECHNOLOGIES CORP [SXT]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**777 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/09/2009**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior VP & CFO**

**MILWAUKEE, WI 53202**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/09/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>	8,330 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 18.54	149,430 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	02/09/2009		S <sup>(3)</sup>	8,330 <sup>(3)</sup> D \$ 23.4054 <sup>(4)</sup>	141,100 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					11,849.973	I	Savings Plan <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock					9,112.909	I	Supplemental Benefit Plan <sup>(6)</sup>

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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 (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 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.54	02/09/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>	8,330 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/10/2002 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/10/2011	Common Stock	8,330
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.19					12/09/2003 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/09/2012	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.4					12/08/2004 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/08/2013	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23					12/06/2005 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/06/2014	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.57					12/01/2006 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/01/2015	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.15					12/07/2007 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/07/2016	Common Stock	6,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOBBS RICHARD F 777 EAST WISCONSIN AVENUE MILWAUKEE, WI 53202			Senior VP & CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ John L. Hammond, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Hobbs 02/10/2009

\_\_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) Exercise of in-the-money employee stock option that would otherwise expire on 12/10/2011, exempt from Section 16(b) by virtue of Rule 16b-6(b) and Rule 16b-3(d) and (e).
- (2) Includes shares of restricted stock held under Issuer's 1998 and 2002 Stock Option Plans and Issuer's 2007 Restricted Stock Plan.
- (3) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.  
This amount represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on this line. The actual sale prices ranged from
- (4) \$23.02 to \$23.65. The reporting person hereby agrees to provide, upon request by the SEC staff, by the Issuer, or by any security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) Represents shares held in Issuer's Savings Plan as of the end of the month immediately preceding this filing.
- (6) Represents shares held in Issuer's Supplemental Benefit Plan as of the most recent statement date.
- (7) Original option grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date listed in the "Date Exercisable" column.

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