

RATCLIFFE GEORGE J
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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 *
RATCLIFFE GEORGE J

(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)
 03/10/2009

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Securities Acquired (A)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Pr Deri Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security	or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Phantom Stock	(1)			03/10/2009	A	44.461	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	44.461	\$ 3
Deferred Share Units	(1)			03/10/2009	A	34.811	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	34.811	\$ 3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RATCLIFFE GEORGE J 1735 MARKET STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103-7583			X	

Signatures

/s/ John J. DiRocco, Jr.,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/12/2009

**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) Conversion rate is 1 for 1.
- (2) Not Applicable
- (3) Total of 4,652.359 Phantom Stock Units beneficially owned following reported transaction, under Sunoco, Inc.'s Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan II.
- (4) Total of 3,642.635 Restricted Share Units beneficially owned following reported transaction, under Sunoco, Inc.'s Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan II.

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