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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

LANKFORD JAMES E Issuer Symbol SYSCO CORP [SYY] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title) _ Other (specify 1390 ENCLAVE PARKWAY 03/15/2005 below) Sr VP, Foodservice Operations 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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

Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

HOUSTON, TX 77077-2099

(Ctata)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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 ior(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/15/2005		M	5,336	A	\$ 7.1875	190,314.3228	D	

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8 E
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy) - Date Granted 8/31/95	\$ 7.1875	03/15/2005		M	5,336	<u>(1)</u>	08/31/2005	Common Stock	5,336	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelati

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LANKFORD JAMES E 1390 ENCLAVE PARKWAY HOUSTON, TX 77077-2099

Sr VP, Foodservice Operations

Signatures

James E. U3/15/2005 Lankford

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- Grants are made annually with exercises not permitted prior to the first anniversary of the grant. If certain performance criteria are met, one-third (1/3) of the shares covered by the grant vest on the first, second and third anniversaries of the grant.

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