# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 4, 2006

**STERIS Corporation** 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ohio (State or other jurisdiction

1-14643 (Commission File Number) 34-1482024 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

**Identification No.)** 

5960 Heisley Road, Mentor, Ohio (Address of principal executive offices)

44060-1834 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (440) 354-2600

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### ITEM 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On May 4, 2006, STERIS issued a press release updating the Company s anticipated results of operations for the fiscal 2006 fourth quarter. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information contained in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission and shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. Furthermore, the information contained in Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933.

#### ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release issued by STERIS Corporation on May 4, 2006 regarding revisions to fourth quarter earnings outlook based on

higher tax rate.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

STERIS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Laurie Brlas
Laurie Brlas

**Senior Vice President and Chief** 

Financial Officer

Date: May 4, 2006

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