
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): December 9, 2003

SUN HYDRAULICS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida

0-21835

59-2754337

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1500 West University Parkway
Sarasota, Florida

34243

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 941-362-1200

Item 12. Other Events and Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 9, 2003, the Registrant issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 announcing a \$0.04 per share dividend on its common stock payable on January 15, 2004, to shareholders of record on December 31, 2003.

SIGNATURE

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

SUN HYDRAULICS CORPORATION

By: /s/ Richard J. Dobbyn

Richard J. Dobbyn
Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and
Accounting Officer)

Dated: December 9, 2003

FOR RELEASE: Immediately

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Sun Hydraulics Corporation Declares 4th Quarter Dividend

SARASOTA, FLA, December 9, 2003 — Sun Hydraulics Corporation (NASDAQ: SNHY) has announced a \$0.04 per share dividend on its common stock. The dividend is payable on January 15, 2004, to shareholders of record as of December 31, 2003.

Sun Hydraulics Corporation is a leading designer and manufacturer of high performance screw-in hydraulic cartridge valves and manifolds for worldwide industrial and mobile markets. For more information about Sun, please visit our website at www.sunhydraulics.com.