

# 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)

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|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person<br><b>LEMAITRE PHILIPPE</b> |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><b>SUN HYDRAULICS CORP [SNHY]</b> |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director<br><input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br><b>1500 WEST UNIVERSITY PARKWAY</b>      |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><b>12/31/2011</b>            |  |   |  |
| (Street)<br><b>SARASOTA, FL 34243</b>                               |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                            |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |
| (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  | (A) or (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)

| 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |       |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |  |  | Title |
| Stock Units                                | (1)  | 12/31/2011                           |  | A                              | V | 28.54   | (1)  | (1)             | Common Stock  | 28.54                                      | \$ 23.54   | 7,492.95   | D  |       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LEMAITRE PHILIPPE<br>1500 WEST UNIVERSITY PARKWAY<br>SARASOTA, FL 34243 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

|  |            |
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| Gregory C. Yadley, as Attorney-in-Fact for PHILIPPE LEMAITRE | 01/04/2012 |
| 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).

Stock Units issued and held for the account of the reporting person under the Amended and Restated 2004 Nonemployee Director Equity and Deferred Compensation Plan. In (1) connection with any distribution to the reporting person under the Plan, Stock Units are payable in shares of common stock on a 1 for 1 basis. The reporting person is fully vested in all Stock Units issued to him and held for his account, and there is no expiration date.

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