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**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): December 5, 2011

SUN HYDRAULICS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-21835
(Commission
File Number)

59-2754337
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1500 West University Parkway, Sarasota, Florida
(Address of principal executive offices)

34243
(Zip Code)

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

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

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 5, 2011, the Registrant issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 announcing the declaration of a \$0.09 per share cash dividend on its common stock, payable on January 15, 2012, to shareholders of record as of December 31, 2011.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated December 5, 2011.

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/ Tricia L. Fulton

Tricia L. Fulton
Chief Financial Officer (Principal
Financial and Accounting Officer)

Dated: December 6, 2011

Sun Hydraulics Corporation Declares 4th Quarter Cash Dividend of \$0.09

SARASOTA, FLA, December 5, 2011 – Sun Hydraulics Corporation (NASDAQ: SNHY) has announced a \$0.09 per share cash dividend on its common stock. The dividend is payable on January 15, 2012, to shareholders of record as of December 31, 2011.

Sun Hydraulics advises all shareholders to familiarize themselves with rules regarding dividends, payment dates and ex-dividend dates. See the following website for more information <http://www.sec.gov/answers/dividen.htm>.

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.

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