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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NICHOLS J LARRY			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	SONIC CORP [SONC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2014	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104

	(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed (of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
S	Title of ecurity (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transactio Code	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3,	(A) or (D)	5) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Common Stock	01/16/2014		M	3,839	A	\$ 0	19,661	D	
	Common Stock	01/18/2014		M	2,083	A	\$0	21,744	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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	A or Title N or S
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/16/2014		A	2,065	,	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.58	01/16/2014		A	6,222		01/16/2015	01/16/2021	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/16/2014		M		3,839	(2)	(2)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/18/2014		M		2,083	(3)	(3)	Common ,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer of the second	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NICHOLS J LARRY 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73104	X						

Signatures

Paige S. Bass for J. Larry Nichols 01/21/2014

**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).
- (1) Shares will vest January 15, 2015 in accordance with the terms of the Restricted Stock Units granted January 15, 2014, and will be issued in shares of Sonic Corp. common stock on a one-for-one basis, subject to certain restrictions.
- (2) Shares vested January 16, 2014 in accordance with the terms of Restricted Stock Units granted January 16, 2013, and were issued in shares of Sonic Corp. common stock on a one-for-one basis, subject to certain restrictions.
- Shares vested in accordance with the terms of Restricted Stock Units granted January 18, 2012, providing for vesting of Restricted Stock (3) Units in equal annual installments on each of the first three anniversaries following the date of grant and were issued in shares of Sonic Corp. common stock on a one-for-one basis, subject to certain restrictions.

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