

STEAK & SHAKE CO  
Form 4  
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**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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**RISK J FRED**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

7801 N. PENNSYLVANIA ST.

(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46240

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**STEAK & SHAKE CO [SNS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/11/2006**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					7,726	I	See Footnote (1)
Common Stock	08/11/2006		G	V 1,000 D \$ 0 (4)	105,573	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 9.99					10/08/2001 10/08/2006	Common Stock	1,000
Option	\$ 18.26					02/09/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 11/17/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	5,000
Option	\$ 9.97					11/13/2002 <sup>(3)</sup> 11/13/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	5,000
Option	\$ 17.98					11/12/2003 <sup>(3)</sup> 11/12/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	5,000
Option	\$ 19.22					11/08/2005 <sup>(2)</sup> 11/08/2010 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RISK J FRED 7801 N. PENNSYLVANIA ST. INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46240		X		

## Signatures

David C. Milne;  
Attorney-in-fact

08/11/2006

\_\_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) These shares are held by Mr. Risk's spouse.

(2)

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These options were conditionally granted on 11-17-04, subject to shareholder approval on 2-9-05. 20% vested on the date of shareholder approval and an additional 20% vest on each anniversary of the conditional grant date.

- (3) These Options vest at a rate of 20% on date of grant and 20% each anniversary thereafter until fully vested.
- (4) As these shares were given as a gift to a charitable organization there was no price requested or paid.

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