

STEAK & SHAKE CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DUNN PETER MERRILL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

36 S. PENNSYLVANIA, SUITE 500

(Street)

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/30/2007

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)  
President, CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/05/2007		D	V Amount (D) \$ 0 (1)	79,251	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. 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	\$ 17.14	10/05/2007		D	25,000 (2)	08/04/2004 08/04/2009	Common Stock	25,000
Option	\$ 19.75	10/05/2007		D	25,000 (2)	09/14/2005 09/14/2010	Common Stock	25,000
Option	\$ 17.84	10/05/2007		D	26,900 (2)	02/07/2008 02/07/2017	Common Stock	26,900
Option	\$ 10.7	09/30/2007		D	4,150 (2)	09/30/2002 09/30/2007	Common Stock	4,150
Option	\$ 17.47	10/05/2007		D	30,000 (2)	02/08/2007 02/08/2016	Common Stock	30,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DUNN PETER MERRILL 36 S. PENNSYLVANIA SUITE 500 INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46204			President, CEO	

## Signatures

David C. Milne, Attorney  
in Fact 10/11/2007

\_\_\_\_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).

- These shares were granted under the Company's Capital Appreciation Plan, an employee benefit plan under Section 16(b)(3) which has
- (1) been approved by the Company's shareholders. Mr. Dunn's employment ended prior to the expiration of the three-year vesting period and, pursuant to the Plan, the shares were forfeited to the Company.
  - (2) These options were forfeited when not exercised by Mr. Dunn's last day of employment with the Company.

### Remarks:

Mr. Dunn's last date of employment with the Company was October 5, 2007. He will continue to file Forms 4 and 5 as necessary.

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