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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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 *

SCHUTZ JEFFREY H

(Last)

(First)

300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/27/2010

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONIC CORP [SONC]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKÂ 73104

(City)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Security

(State)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities

Form:

Ownership Direct (D)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

5.

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date

Amount or Title

Derivative Security

Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

Exercisable Date

Number of Shares

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Non-Qualified Stock Options (right to buy)	(1)	08/27/2017 Commo Stock	n 43,633	\$8	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	08/27/2013 Commo Stock	n 18,750	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHUTZ JEFFREY H 300 JOHNNY BENCH DRIVE Â X Â Â Â OKLAHOMA CITY, OKÂ 73104

Signatures

Carolyn C. Cummins for Jeffrey H. Schutz 09/08/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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- (1) One-third of the total number of options granted on August 27, 2010 will vest on each of the first three anniversary dates following the date of grant.
- (2) One-third of the total number of Restricted Stock Units granted will vest on each of the first three anniversary dates following the date of grant and will be issued in shares of Sonic Corp. common stock on a one-for-one basis, subject to certain restrictions.

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