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, 1998

SUN HYDRAULICS CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA 0-21835 59-2754337

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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

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

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

PRESS RELEASE

On December 15, 1998, the Company issued the press release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 announcing a \$0.04 per share dividend on its common stock payable on January 15, 1999, to shareholders of record on December 31, 1998.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(a) FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF BUSINESSES ACQUIRED.

None.

(b) PRO FORMA FINANCIAL INFORMATION.

None.

(c) EXHIBITS.

Exhibit
Number Exhibit Description

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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/ Richard J. Dobbyn

Richard J. Dobbyn Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Dated: December 15, 1998

EXHIBIT INDEX

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99.1 Press Release of the Registrant dated December 15, 1998.

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Exhibit 99.1

FOR RELEASE: Immediately

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SUN HYDRAULICS CORPORATION DECLARES \$0.04 FOURTH-QUARTER DIVIDEND

SARASOTA, FLA, December 15, 1998 - Sun Hydraulics Corporation (NASDAQ: SNHY) has announced a \$0.04 per share dividend on its common stock. The dividend is payable on January 15, 1999, to shareholders of record as of December 31, 1998.

Sun Hydraulics Corporation, with manufacturing and distribution facilities in Sarasota, Florida, Coventry, England, Erkelenz, Germany and Incheon-City, Korea, is a leading designer and manufacturer of high-performance screw-in hydraulic cartridge valves and manifolds for global mobile and industrial markets.