#### SYNBIOTICS CORP

Form 4

December 13, 2004

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

**DONELAN THOMAS A** 

SYNBIOTICS CORP [SBIO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

12/10/2004

(Month/Day/Year)

Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(Street)

9468 MONTGOMERY ROAD

(State)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

**CINCINNATI 45245** 

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	• •		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction (A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Stock	12/10/2004		J <u>(1)</u>	49,989	A	\$ 0.176	382,202	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2004		J(2)(3)	22,622	A	\$ 0.176	735,488	I (2) (3)	Redwood Holdings, LLC (2) (3)

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. onNumber 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Series C Preferred Stock	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	21,796,668
Series C Preferred Stock	(5)					(5)	(5)	Common Stock	778,452 (5)
Common Stock Warrant	\$ 0.17					09/23/2004	09/01/2010	Common Stock	250,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Troporting of their remove remove and their	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DONELAN THOMAS A 9468 MONTGOMERY ROAD CINCINNATI 45245	X	X				

# **Signatures**

Thomas A. Donelan, by Keith A. Butler his attorney-in-fact

12/13/2004

\*\*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).

Acquired pursuant to the election of Redwood West Coast, LLC in lieu of cash dividends on Synbiotics Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock held by Redwood West Coast, LLC, as permitted by the Certificate of Determination of the Series C Preferred

(1) Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. As required by its Operating Agreement, Redwood West Coast, LLC directed that the shares of Common Stock be issued directly to its members. Mr. Donelan received 49,989 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation in this distribution.

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Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. As required by its Operating Agreement, Redwood West Coast, LLC directed that the shares of
Common Stock be issued directly to its members. Redwood Holdings, LLC received 11,969 shares of Common Stock of
Synbiotics Corporation in this distribution. Redwood Holdings, LLC is the owner of record of 735,488 shares of Common Stock
of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Donelan is a 24.9% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC, which has sole voting and dispositive
power with respect to the shares. Mr. Donelan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of
his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.

Acquired in lieu of cash dividends on Synbiotics Corporation's Series C Preferred Stock held by Redwood Holdings, LLC, as permitted by the Certificate of Determination of the Series C Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Redwood Holdings, LLC received 10,653 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation in this distribution. Redwood Holdings, LLC is the owner of record of 735,488 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Donelan is a 24.9% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC, which has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares. Mr. Donelan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.

- (4) See Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 4.
- On September 23, 2004, Redwood Holdings, LLC purchased 100 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Redwood Holdings, LLC is the beneficial owner of 100 shares of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock of Synbiotics Corporation. Mr. Donelan is a 24.9% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC. In addition, Mr. Donelan serves on the Management Committee of Redwood Holdings, LLC, which has sole voting and dispositive power with respect to the shares. The shares are convertible into shares of common stock at any time into such number of shares of common stock by dividing each share of Series C Convertible Preferred Stock, valued at \$1,000, by the conversion price initially set at \$0.12846. Mr. Donelan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.
- On September 23, 2004, in conjunction with a credit agreement, Remington Capital, LLC received a warrant to purchase 250,000 shares of Common Stock of Synbiotics Corporation with an exercise price of \$0.17 per share. The warrant is exercisable at any time, in whole or in part, through September 1, 2010. Remington Capital, LLC is indirectly owned 100% by Redwood Holdings, LLC. Mr. Donelan is a 24.9% owner of Redwood Holdings, LLC. Mr. Donelan disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares reflected above, except to the extent of his direct pecuniary interest in Redwood Holdings, LLC.

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