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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Name and Address of Reporting Person* BOSCIA JON A					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY FOODS CORP [HSY]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2004										ector cer (give title ow)	10% Owner Other (specify below)		(specify
(Street) HERSHE (City)			.7033 Zip)		4. If										ie) <mark>X</mark> Foi Foi	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son			
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	lly Owr	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed C			ies Acquired (A) o Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Secu Bene Own	nount of irities eficially ed Following	6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr.	irect direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price		saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 07/01/2					/2004	2004		A		327.439		A	\$45.	.81 6,047.129 ⁽¹⁾		D			
	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	Conversion Date Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Own Forn Direc or In (I) (Ir	ership 1: ct (D) direct nstr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The total number of securities reported in Column 5 of Table I includes 8.094 (pre-split) shares acquired on June 15, 2004, pursuant to a Hershey Foods Dividend Reinvestment Plan. This total amount also includes the acquisition of 8.094 additional shares as a result of a 2-for-1 stock split effectuated on June 15, 2004.

Jon A. Boscia

07/01/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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