

FORM 5
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.

Form 3 Holdings Reported

Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)
Pietruski, John M.
27 Paddock Lane

Colts Neck, NJ 07722

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Hershey Foods Corporation (HSY)

3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year
12/99

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

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1) Title of Security	2) Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3) Transaction Code	4) Securities Acquired(A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	5) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	6) D or I	7) Nature of Indirect or Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock				4,800.0000	D	Direct

Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)

1) Title of Derivative Security	2) Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3) Transaction Date	4) Transaction Code	5) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6) Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
			Code	A D	Exercisable Expiration
Common Stock Equivalents (1)		12/15/99 (2)	J	340.6560	

Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)

1) Title of Derivative Security	3) Transaction Date	7) Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8) Price of Derivative Security	9) Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	10) D or I	11) Nature of Indirect or Beneficial Ownership
		Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Common Stock Equivalents (1)	12/15/99 (2)	Common Stock	340.6560	(3)	4,865.4540	D Direct

Explanation of Responses:

(1) These units were acquired as dividends reinvested on units previously deferred under the Director's Compensation Plan and new deferrals of 1999 director's fees under the Plan; 86.095 units were reinvested dividends and 254.561 were deferrals of 1999 director's fees.

(2) Reinvested dividends were acquired on 3/15/99, 6/15/99, 9/15/99 and 12/15/99; 1999 deferred director's fees were credited on 4/30/99 and 12/15/99.

(3) Units were acquired at various times throughout the year as noted in Footnote 2. These prices range from \$48.2500 to \$61.8125.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/S/ Pietruski, John M.
DATE 02/01/00