

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)
Pasquale Michael F
100 Crystal A Drive

Hershey, Pennsylvania 17033

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

02/00

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

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

[X] Director [] 10% Owner

[X] Officer (give title below) [] Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President and
Chief Operating Officer

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

[X] 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 or Disposed of (A) Amount	5) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6) D or I	7) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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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	3) Transaction Date	4) Transaction Code	5) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6) Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
	Security		Code V A	D	Exercisable Expiration
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$41.00000	02/07/00	A	7,200.0000	(2) 02/07/10

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 Month	10) D or I	11) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	02/07/00	Common Stock	7,200.0000	7,200.0000	D	Direct

Explanation of Responses:

(1)

These options were granted under the Hershey Foods Corporation Key Employee Incentive Plan, and they have a stock withholding feature which permits the withholding of shares of stock at the time of exercise to satisfy the grantee's income tax withholding rights.

(2)

Stock option grants vest 25% per year beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, becoming fully vested on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/S/ Pasquale Michael F
DATE 03/08/00