FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     WEST DAVID J						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY FOODS CORP [ HSY ]									ck all applic	ationship of Reporting ( all applicable)  Director		10% O	wner	
(Last)	(F STAL A D	irst) PRIVE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2003									Officer (give title below)  SVP, Sa			Other (specify below)				
(Street) HERSHI (City)		tate)	17033 (Zip)		01	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2003								Line)						
		Tal	ole I - No	n-Deriv	ativ	e Se	curi	ties Acc	uired,	Dis					/ Owned					
in the discounty (mount)				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				Beneficia Owned F	s ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	ommon Stock			01/02/2003		3			М	М	9,392	A	\$	67.65	9,3	392	D			
Common	Stock			01/02	2/200	3			S		9,392	I	\$	67.65	5	0		D		
			Table II -								osed of, convertib				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	Date, T	ransa Code (		Derivative		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported	e s Illy	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	nount mber ares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7)		
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	(2)	01/02/2003			M			9,392 <sup>(3)</sup>	(4)		(4)	Commo	on 9,	392	\$0	9,385.2	!34	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transaction was originally filed on a timely basis; however, the prior form did not reflect the necessary conversion of the restricted stock units from derivative to non-derivative securities at the time of settlement
- 2. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Hershey Foods Corporation Common Stock or its cash equivalent.
- 3. Vested restricted stock units converted and settled with the Corporation in cash as granted under the Corporation's Key Employee Incentive Plan.
- 4. Restricted stock units were granted on May 21, 2001 and vested on January 2, 2003.

## Remarks

The restricted stock units and shares reported on this Form 4 have not been adjusted to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split that was effectuated on June 15, 2004.

<u>David J. West</u> <u>07/26/2004</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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