FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [ HSY ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
COUGHLAN GARY P					1	TIDIOTIC CO									X D	irector	10	% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2005										fficer (give title elow)		ner (specify low)	
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Explanation of Responses:

Gary P. Coughlan

12/15/2005

\*\* 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).
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