## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LANGBO ARNOLD G</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [ HSY ]									ck all app	olicable)	,	Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2008									Offic belov	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify )		
(Street) HERSHEY PA 17033  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. In Line						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Exe Day/Year) if a		xecution any	A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (C	() or ()	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(,	
Common Stock 12/15/					/2008				A		606.46	69 A S		\$37.1	7,2	257.895	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)	Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Trans		ection Instr.	of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	of Derivative (Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Price of erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	of Share	es					

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Bonnie Martin, as Attorney-in-Fact for Arnold G. Langbo

\*\* 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).
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