FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BILBREY JOHN P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [ HSY ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
——————————————————————————————————————														_	X X	Director Officer (give title			10% Ow Other (sp	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/13/2012										71	below) below)  President and CEO				1
(Street) HERSHEY PA 17033					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										ine) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)				-											Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
Date					ate Ionth/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (	Transaction Dis		l. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 S)			and 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) or (D)	Pric	е	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(111341.4)
Common Stock 06/1					3/2012	/2012					2,205		D	\$68.34		81,134		D		
Common Stock																30	305.583			401(k) Plan
	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Transac Code (Ir				ative rities ired osed	6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				rative rity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Owner Form Director Inc (I) (In:	t (D) lirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Nui of	ount mber ares						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The exercise and sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on May 18, 2012.

<u>John P. Bilbrey</u>

06/15/2012

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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