FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSH	ΗP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Jastrzebski Thaddeus J (Last) (First) (Middle)						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [HSY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)										(Check all app Direct X Office below		ctor er (give title w)		10% Ov Other (s below)	wner	
(Street) HERSHI (City)		A	17033 (Zip)			02/08/2008 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Ind Line) X	ividual or Form	SVP, Pres Hershey Int'l or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting				
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				action	2/ E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			3. Transac Code (Ir 8)	tion	4. Secur Dispose 5)	ities /	Acquire	ed (A) o	or	5. Amor Securiti Benefic Owned	unt of ies ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Pric	e	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)					
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 02/0					3/2008	3				M		250 ⁽²	2)	A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	5,116			D		
Common Stock 02					8/2008	/2008				F		20		D	D \$34		5	5,096		D		
Common Stock																299.408				401(k) Plan		
		Т	able II -	Derivat (e.g., p													wned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (l 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		Securi	D S (li	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y Direct or Inc (I) (In	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Restricted Stock	(3)	02/08/2008			M			250		(4)		(4)		nmon ock	250		(3)	3,012		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") converted to phantom stock units and deferred under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan. The units are payable only in shares of Common Stock at the end of the
- 2. Each deferred phantom stock unit is equivalent to one share of Common Stock of The Hershey Company.
- 3. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of The Hershey Company or its cash equivalent.
- 4. Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") granted on January 8, 2007 of which 250 RSUs vested on February 8, 2008. The remaining RSUs will vest according to the following schedule: 250 on January 8, 2009, 250 on January 8, 2010, and 250 on January 8, 2011. Once vested, RSUs may be: (1) settled in cash having a value equivalent to the closing price of Common Stock on the New York Stock Exchange on the day preceding the vesting date, in an equal number of shares of Common Stock, or in a combination of cash and Common Stock; or (2) deferred under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan. RSUs deferred as phantom stock units are payable only in shares of Common Stock at the end of the deferral period.

Remarks:

The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person in Column 5 of Table I (401(k) Plan) includes 1.9500 shares acquired from December 11, 2007 through January 31, 2008, pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan. These shares were acquired at various intervals. The closing price on January 31, 2008 was \$36.17. The exact price of each share at the date of acquisition is not readily determinable.

> Thaddeus J Jastrzebski 02/11/2008 ** Signature of Reporting Person

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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