FORM 4

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* <u>COUGHLAN GARY P</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY FOODS CORP [HSY]								Relationsh leck all ap X Dire	,		S Issuer	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005										Offic belo	er (give title w)	Oth bel	er (specify w)	
(Street) HERSHEY PA 17033 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									e) X Forr Forr	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	Bene	ficia	ly Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			Code (Instr. 5)						Secui Benet	icially d Following	6. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
							v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 03/15/2							2005		A		120		A	\$57.1	.3 9,3	63.6822	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)				6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		9	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	or Num of Shai	ber					

Explanation of Responses:

By: Bonnie S. Martin, as
Attorney-in-Fact For: Gary P. 03/15/2005
Coughlan

** 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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