

HARRAHS ENTERTAINMENT INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**SELLS BOAKE A**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HARRAH'S  
 ENTERTAINMENT, INC., ONE  
 CAESARS PALACE DRIVE

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89119

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**HARRAHS ENTERTAINMENT INC [HET]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/28/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/28/2008                           |  | D                              |   | 21,209 <sup>(1)</sup> <sub>(3)</sub>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/28/2008                           |  | D                              |   | 24,176.09 <sup>(1)</sup> <sub>(1)</sub>   | I  | By Directors Plan                                     |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 47.025  | 01/28/2008                           |  | D                              | 2,000  | (2)(4) 06/20/2009  | Common Stock 2,000  | \$ 4                          |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 43.495  | 01/28/2008                           |  | D                              | 2,000  | (2)(5) 06/18/2010  | Common Stock 2,000  | \$ 4                          |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SELLS BOAKE A  
C/O HARRAH'S ENTERTAINMENT, INC.  
ONE CAESARS PALACE DRIVE  
LAS VEGAS, NV 89119

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## Signatures

Boake A. Sells by Angela P. Winter,  
Attorney-in-Fact

01/28/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

Disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement (the "Merger Agreement") among the Issuer, Hamlet Holdings LLC, ("Parent") and Hamlet (1) Merger Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent (the "Merger"), which provides for the cancellation of shares of Common Stock of the Issuer in exchange for \$90.00 per share (the "Merger Consideration").

(2) All vested and unvested options were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for cash consideration equal to the Merger Consideration less the exercise price per share.

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- (3) Includes 200 shares of restricted stock.
- (4) The options were exercisable in three equal installments on 1/1/03, 1/1/04 and 1/1/05.
- (5) The options were exercisable in three equal installments on 1/1/04, 1/1/05 and 1/1/06.

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