

HERSHEY CO
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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 *
Jastrzebski Thaddeus J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE
(Street)

HERSHEY, PA 17033

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HERSHEY CO [HSY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/04/2008

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)
SVP, President Hershey Intl.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	300.961 ⁽¹⁾	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock ⁽²⁾	06/04/2008		M	300 ⁽³⁾ A \$ 0	5,533	D	

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 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Restricted Stock Units ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 0 ⁽⁵⁾	06/04/2008		M	300	⁽⁷⁾ / ⁽⁸⁾	Common Stock	300 \$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Jastrzebski Thaddeus J 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033			SVP, President Hershey Intl.	

Signatures

Thaddeus J. Jastrzebski
 06/05/2008
 **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).
- (1) The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person represents a reduction of .6850 shares allocated to the account of the reporting person as of May 30, 2008. To manage liquidity needs of the Plan, the trustee from time-to-time maintains a lower overall share balance (versus cash) in the Company's 401(k) Plan, which in this instance resulted in a reduction in the number of shares allocated to the reporting person's account when compared to the reporting person's Form 4 filed on April 8, 2008.
- (2) 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 deferral period.
- (3) Each deferred phantom stock unit is equivalent to one share of Common Stock of The Hershey Company.
- (4) RSUs awarded on May 4, 2007 of which 300 RSUs vested on June 4, 2008. The remaining RSUs from that award will vest according to the following schedule: 300 on May 4, 2009, 300 on May 4, 2010 and 300 on May 4, 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 vesting date, in an equal number of shares of Common Stock, or in a combination of cash and Common Stock; or (2) deferred

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under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan. RSUs deferred as phantom shares of Common Stock are payable only in shares of Common Stock at the end of the deferral period. The reporting person has elected to defer payment of the RSU award in phantom shares of Common Stock.

- (5) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of The Hershey Company or its cash equivalent.
- (6) See Footnote (5) above.
- (7) See Footnote (4) above.
- (8) See Footnote (4) above.

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