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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *_Buck Michele			2. Issuer Name and Tie Symbol HERSHEY CO [HS	S	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction		(Check all applicable)			
100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2011		Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP Global Chief Mktg. Officer			
(Street) HERSHEY, PA 17033			4. If Amendment, Date 0	Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Deri	vative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficially Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction l			. Securities	5. Amount of 6	Ownership 7. Nature o		

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock					153.53 (1)	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock (2)	01/08/2011		M	625 (3) A \$ 0	23,360.4169	D (4)	

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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (5)	\$ 0 (6)	01/08/2011	M	625	<u>(7)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	625	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Buck Michele 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033

SVP Global Chief Mktg. Officer

Signatures

Michele G. 01/10/2011

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
- The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person includes 3.056 shares acquired from April 1, 2010
- (1) through December 31, 2010, pursuant to the Company?s 401(k) Plan (?Plan?). The information is based on a report dated January 4, 2011, provided by the Plan Trustee.
- (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.
 - The total amount of securities reported as directly owned by the reporting person includes the acquisition of 22.5433 shares on June 15,
- (4) 2010, 24.4741 shares on September 15, 2010 and 23.786 shares on December 15, 2010 pursuant to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (5) RSUs awarded on January 8, 2007 of which the remaining 625 RSUs from that award vested on January 8, 2011. Once vested, RSUs may be: (1) settled in an equal number of shares of Common Stock; or (2) deferred under the Company's Deferred Compensation Plan. RSUs

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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.

- (6) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of The Hershey Company.
- (7) See Footnote (5) above.
- (8) See Footnote (5) above.

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