

Ortiz Steven L
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ortiz Steven L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE,
 INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE,
 SUITE 200

(Street)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/06/2010

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)
 Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | | | | | 330,454 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/06/2010 | | S | | 9,000 | D | \$ 14.03 |
| | | | | | | | (1) |
| Common Stock | 08/09/2010 | | S | | 39,000 | D | \$ 14.38 |
| | | | | | | | (2) |

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | | | | | (4) (4) | Common Stock | 43,750 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | | | | | (5) (5) | Common Stock | 43,750 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | 10/04/2005 10/04/2014 | Common Stock | 7,402 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | 10/04/2005 10/04/2014 | Common Stock | 28,160 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | 10/08/2005 10/08/2014 | Common Stock | 57,000 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | 10/08/2006 10/08/2014 | Common Stock | 57,000 |
| Option to Purchase | \$ 8.75 | | | | | 10/08/2007 10/08/2014 | Common Stock | 171,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ortiz Steven L C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC. 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE, SUITE 200 LOUISVILLE, KY 40205 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Sheila C. Brown, by Power of
Attorney

08/10/2010

__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) Weighted average sale price reported. These shares were sold within a range of \$14.00 and \$14.21. The reporting person will provide upon request by the Commission Staff, the issuer, or security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
 - (2) Weighted average sale price reported. These shares were sold within a range of \$14.19 and \$14.49. The reporting person will provide upon request by the Commission Staff, the issuer, or security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
 - (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.
 - (4) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2011. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2011, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
 - (5) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2012. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2012, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.

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