HERSHEY CO Form 4

December 15, 2016

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PALMER ANTHONY J.

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

HERSHEY CO [HSY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2016

(Check all applicable)

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

100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HERSHEY, PA 17033

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 12/15/2016 A Stock

257 97.26

16,140.53 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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5)	Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	,	Date Exp Exercisable Date		Title Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PALMER ANTHONY J. 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033	X						

Signatures

/s/ Kathleen S. Purcell, Agent for Anthony J.
Palmer 12/15/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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