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Buck Michele S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [HSY]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Mi	iddle) 3. Date o	f Earliest T	ransaction			(Check	c all applicable)	
100 CRYST		(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2017				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP, Chief Operating Officer				
Filed(M			nendment, Date Original onth/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 			
HERSHEY, PA 17033									8	
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			d of (D) 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)	
Common Stock	01/03/2017		М	2,000	А	\$ 60.68	157,210	D		
Common Stock	01/03/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	2,000	D	\$ 103.84	155,210	D		
Common Stock							173.1797 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	401(k) 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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 60.68	01/03/2017		М	2,000	(3)	02/20/2022	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Buck Michele 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033			EVP, Chief Operating Officer				
Signatures							

/s/ James Turoff, Agent for Michele G. 01/04/2017 Buck

**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).
- The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 31, (1)2016.
- The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person includes .8409 shares acquired from December 1, (2) 2016 through December 31, 2016, pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan ("Plan"). The information is based on a report dated January 3, 2017, provided by the Plan Trustee.
- The options vested according to the following schedule: 25% vested on February 21, 2013, 25% vested on February 21, 2014, 25% vested (3) on February 21, 2015 and 25% vested on February 21, 2016.

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