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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction

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See Instruction 3

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wege D Michael			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [HSY]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Charle all applicable)			
(Last) 100 CRYST	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/09/2012					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Chief Commercial Officer					
HERSHEY,	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					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Γ	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	Execution any	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	04/09/2012			F	142	D	\$ 59.81	31,230	D		
Common Stock								800.084 (1)	I	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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

Wege D Michael 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033

SVP, Chief Commercial Officer

Signatures

D. Michael

Wege 04/10/2012 **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 4.9939 shares acquired from March 6, 2012 through March 30, 2012, pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan ("Plan"). The information is based on a report dated April 2, 2012, provided by the Plan trustee.

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