

HERSHEY CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Wege D Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE  
(Street)

HERSHEY, PA 17033

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HERSHEY CO [HSY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/16/2016

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)  
SVP, CAO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/16/2016                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               | 100 D   | \$ 92.26  | 27,488   | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 05/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 1,000 A   | \$ 54.68  | 28,488   | D                                 |
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| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   | 863.9662 <sup>(2)</sup>                                  | 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)

| 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 (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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)  | \$ 54.68   | 05/16/2016                           |  | M                              | 1,000  | (3) 04/22/2017   | Common Stock  | 1,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |          |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer  | Other |
| Wege D Michael<br>100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE<br>HERSHEY, PA 17033 |               |           | SVP, CAO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ D. Michael  
Wege 05/17/2016  
\*\*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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 23, 2015.

(2) The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person represents a reduction of 2.7938 shares allocated to the reporting person's account in the Company's 401(k) Plan ("Plan") as of April 30, 2016. To manage liquidity needs of the Plan, the Plan trustee from time-to-time maintains a lower overall share balance (versus cash) in the Plan, which in this instance resulted in a reduction in the number of shares allocated to the reporting person's account when compared to the reporting person's Form 4 filed on April 19, 2016. The information is based on a report dated May 2, 2016, provided by the Plan trustee.

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- (3) The options vested according to the following schedule: 25% vested on April 23, 2008, 25% vested on April 23, 2009, 25% vested on April 23, 2010 and 25% vested on April 23, 2011.

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