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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

Common

Stock

10/01/2006

1. Name and A EDELMAN	g Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHEY CO [HSY]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest Tr	ansaction	(and approved	,	
100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2006			X Director Officer (below)	give title Other below)	Owner er (specify	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
HERSHEY, PA 17033			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	Perivative Securities Acq	uired, Dispose	d of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution any	med in Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Code V

A

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

5,969.268 (1) D

(A)

or

(D)

Price

\$0

Amount

469.836

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)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
EDELMAN HARRIET 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033	X					

Signatures

Harriet Edelman 10/02/2006

**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).
- (1) The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes 26.3710 shares acquired on September 15, 2006, pursuant to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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