CHOSY JAMES L Form 4

February 18, 2010

# FORM 4

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

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting CHOSY JAMES L	Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES [PJC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (800 NICOLLET MALL	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2010	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) General Counsel			
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Che Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402	2		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Aco	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/16/2010		F	1,024	D	\$ 44.48	28,541	D		
Common Stock	02/16/2010		A	3,822	A	\$ 0	32,363	D		
Common Stock							1,860	I	By James L. Chosy Trust	
Common Stock							1,860	I	By Spouse's Trust	
Common Stock							847	I	By PJC Retirement Plan (1)	

Common 4 Ι Stock

By IRA

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amour		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise	,	any	Code	of	(Month/Day/		Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
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					4, and 5)						
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHOSY JAMES L General 800 NICOLLET MALL Counsel MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

#### **Signatures**

/s/ James L. 02/18/2010 Chosy

\*\*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) Based on a plan report dated February 17, 2010, the most recent plan report available.

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