

TACKA DAVID W
Form 4
September 28, 2011

FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
TACKA DAVID W

(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)

09/26/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)

VP CAO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/26/2011		M	11,176 A	\$ 35.87	36,947.0109	D
Common Stock	09/26/2011		S ⁽¹⁾	11,176 D	\$ 59.95	25,772.962 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock					5,795.785 ⁽³⁾	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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.87	09/26/2011		M ⁽¹⁾	11,176	⁽⁴⁾ 02/12/2018	Common Stock	11,176

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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HERSHEY, PA 17033

VP CAO

Signatures

David W. Tacka 09/27/2011

 Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The exercise and sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 26, 2011.

(2) The total amount of securities reported as directly owned by the reporting person has been adjusted to include the acquisition of .6735 shares on March 15, 2011 and 1.2776 shares on June 15, 2011 pursuant to the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

(3) The total amount of securities reported as indirectly owned by the reporting person includes 66.764 shares acquired from March 1, 2011 through August 31, 2011, pursuant to the Company's 401(k) Plan ("Plan"). The information is based on a report dated September 1, 2011 provided by the Plan trustee.

(4) The options vested according to the following schedule: 25% vested on February 13, 2009, 25% vested on February 13, 2010, 25% vested on February 13, 2011 and 25% will vest on February 13, 2012.

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