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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Stata)

BOSCIA JON A Issuer Symbol HERSHEY FOODS CORP [HSY] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE 12/15/2004 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

HERSHEY, PA 17033

(City)

(City)	(State)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Dis	sposed	d of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/15/2004		A	25.474	A	\$ 49.07	6,440.826	D	

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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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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. Mumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title and Amount of	8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month Day) Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/ e s		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Jon A. Boscia 12/15/2004

**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).

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