ROSS STORES INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add FASSIO JAM	•	ing Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROSS STORES INC [ROST]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
4440 ROSEW BUILDING 4	OOD DRIV	Æ,	(Month/Day/Year) 08/11/2008	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, PROP DEV, CNSTR, STR DSGN			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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PLEASANTON, CA 94588

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-E	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/11/2008		Code V M	Amount 5,000	(D)	Price \$ 18.89	(Instr. 3 and 4) 182,460	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2008		S	5,000	D	\$ 40.5	177,460	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2008		M	5,000	A	\$ 18.89	182,460	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2008		S	5,000	D	\$ 40.25	177,460	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2008		S	10,000	D	\$ 40.75	167,460	D	

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Common Stock	08/11/2008	S	10,000	D	\$ 41	157,460	D
Common Stock	08/11/2008	S	10,000	D	\$ 41.25	147,460	D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	
i	Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.89	08/11/2008		M	5,000	<u>(1)</u>	03/21/2012	Common Stock	5,00	
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Birector 10/6 Owner Office

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FASSIO JAMES S 4440 ROSEWOOD DRIVE, BUILDING 4 PLEASANTON, CA 94588

EVP, PROP DEV, CNSTR, STR DSGN

Signatures

/s/ JAMES FASSIO EVP, PROPERTY DEV, CNSTR, STR. DESIGN

08/12/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Relationships

Reporting Owners 2

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- * 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).
- Option is exercisable as it vests in monthly increments beginning the first full month from date of grant with a vested ratio of 1/72 for the first year, 2/72 for the second year, and 3/72 for the third year.

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