

Azzara C Daniel
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Azzara C Daniel</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>HERSHEY FOODS CORPORATION,Â 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>HERSHEY,Â PAÂ 17033</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>12/10/2007</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>HERSHEY CO [HSY]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>(give title below) (specify below)</p> <p>VP, Global Research & Develop</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>
			<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	18,065	D	Â
Common Stock	2,229.08	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	06/27/2014	Common Stock	3,200	\$ 45	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	01/13/2010	Common Stock	7,000	\$ 22.5	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	02/02/2013	Common Stock	8,700	\$ 32.25	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	06/18/2013	Common Stock	2,000	\$ 36.09	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	02/15/2016	Common Stock	10,450	\$ 52.3	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	04/22/2017	Common Stock	12,600	\$ 54.68	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	02/14/2015	Common Stock	18,500	\$ 61.7	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	01/21/2012	Common Stock	9,500	\$ 34.655	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	Â (1)	02/01/2014	Common Stock	13,600	\$ 37.755	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Azzara C Daniel HERSHEY FOODS CORPORATION 100 CRYSTAL A DRIVE HERSHEY, PA 17033	Â	Â	Â VP, Global Research & Develop	Â

Signatures

C. Daniel
Azzara

12/14/2007

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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Options vest according to the following schedule: 25% vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, an additional 25% vest on the (1) second anniversary of the grant date, an additional 25% vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, and the options become fully vested on the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

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