

EMLPIT JANIS S  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
EMLPIT JANIS S

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
DENNY'S CORPORATION, 203  
EAST MAIN STREET  
(Street)

SPARTANBURG, SC 29319

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DENNYS CORP [DENN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2008

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 below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & Chief Operating Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock	12/31/2008		M		17,700 A \$ 0	123,875	D
Common Stock	12/31/2008		M		9,345 A \$ 0	133,220	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. 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	(1)	12/31/2008		M	17,700	(1) (1)	Common Stock	(1)
Performance Shares	(2)	12/31/2008		M	9,345	(2) (2)	Common Stock	(2)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EMPLIT JANIS S DENNY'S CORPORATION 203 EAST MAIN STREET SPARTANBURG, SC 29319			EVP & Chief Operating Officer	

## Signatures

J. Scott Melton for Janis S.  
Emplit  
Date: 01/05/2009

\*\*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).

(1) Performance shares of the issuer's common stock were earned by the reporting person pursuant to the Company's 2006 Long-Term Growth Incentive Plan. This award became vested and converted to shares of the issuer's common stock on December 31, 2008.

(2) Performance shares of the issuer's common stock were earned by the reporting person pursuant to the Company's 2007 Long-Term Growth Incentive Plan, of which 9,345 performance shares vested on December 31, 2008 and the remaining 13,350 performance shares vest on December 30, 2009.

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