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FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Lamster Fred

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

(First) (Middle)

450 WINKS LANE

(Street)

BENSALEM, PA 19020

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CHARMING SHOPPES INC [CHRS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/29/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Executive Vice President - HR

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

3.

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title

Date

Aı

or No of

Stock

Appreciation Right (right to buy) (1)

A 72,500 03/29/2012(2) 03/28/2018 Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lamster Fred 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020

Executive Vice President - HR

Signatures

Fred Lamster
03/29/2011
**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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) Stock appreciation rights ("SAR") exercisable for stock, granted for no consideration other than services. The grant is exempt under Rule 16b-3(d).
- The SAR will become exercisable as to twenty-five (25%) percent of the underlying shares on each of the the first, second, third and (2) fourth anniversaries of the date of grant (Transaction Date), subject to acceleration and early expiration in the event of certain terminations of employment.

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