CANNELL J CARLO Form SC 13G/A February 17, 2010

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

> > SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 2)\*

HENNESSY ADVISORS INC

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(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK

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(Title of Class of Securities)

425885100

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(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2009

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule 13G is filed:

[ ] Rule 13d-1(b)
[X] Rule 13d-1(c)
[ ] Rule 13d-1(d)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 425885100 ...... 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON: I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only): J. Carlo Cannell

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ] (b) [ ]
3 SEC USE ONLY
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION USA
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
5 SOLE VOTING POWER: 323,166*
6 SHARED VOTING POWER: 0*
7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 323,166*
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 0*
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
323,166*
10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
5.6%*
12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
IN
* As of December 31, 2009 (the "Reporting Date"), Tonga Partners QP, L.P. ("TongaQP") and Tristan Partners, L.P.("Tristan" and collectively with TongaQP, the "Funds") owned in the aggregate 323,166 shares of common stock, no par value per share (the "Shares"), of HENNESSY ADVISORS INC (the "Company"). Cannell Capital LLC is the general partner of and investment adviser to Tonga QP and Tristan. Mr. J. Carlo Cannell is the sole managing member of Cannell Capital LLC. As a result, Mr. Cannell possesses the sole power to vote and to direct the disposition of the securities held by the Funds. Thus, as of the Reporting Date, for the purposes of Reg. Section 240.13d-3, Mr.Cannell is deemed to beneficially own 323,166 Shares, or approximately 5.6% of the Shares deemed issued and outstanding as of the Reporting Date.
Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

HENNESSY ADVISORS INC

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

7250 Redwood Boulevard, Suite 200 Novato, CA 94945

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

J. Carlo Cannell

Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or if none, Residence:

1315 S. Hwy 89, Suite 203 Jackson, WY 83001

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

United States

Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

425885100

- Item 3. Not Applicable.
- Item 4. Ownership:
  - (a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 323,166
  - (b) Percent of Class: 5.6%
  - (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 323,166
    - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 0\*
    - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 323,166
    - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0\*

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class securities, check the following | |

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

Not Applicable.

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outstanding as of the Reporting Date.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of Subsidiary Which Acquired the
 Securities:

Not Applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable.

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Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

#### SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 16, 2010

J. CARLO CANNELL

/s/ J. Carlo Cannell

J. Carlo Cannell