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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement TANDY LEATHER FACTORY INC [TLF] MARXE AUSTIN W & (Month/Day/Year) GREENHOUSE DAVID M 05/16/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS (Check all applicable) FUNDS. 527 MADISON **AVENUE, SUITE 2600** Director __X__ 10% Owner (Street) Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person NEW YORK, NYÂ 10022 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5) Common Stock I (1) $1,100,000 \stackrel{(1)}{=}$ By Limited Partnerships (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Nature of Indirect 1. Title of Derivative Security 3. Title and Amount of 2. Date Exercisable and (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Ownership Beneficial Ownership Conversion (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5)

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(Instr. 4)

Date Expiration Title Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Shares Price of Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Derivative

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M C/O SPECIAL SITUATIONS FUNDS 527 MADISON AVENUE, SUITE 2600 NEW YORK, NYÂ 10022

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Signatures

Austin W.

Marxe 05/26/2006

**Signature of

Date

Reporting Person

David M. Greenhouse

05/26/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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This is a joint filing by Austin W. Marxe (Marxe) and David M. Greenhouse (Greenhouse). They share voting and investment control over all securities owned by Special Situations Fund III QP, L.P. (QP) and Special Situations Private Equity Fund, LP (PE). 800,000 shares of Common Stock are owned by QP and 300,000 shares of Common Stock are owned by PE. The interest of Marxe and Greenhouse in the shares of Common Stock owned by QP and PE is limited to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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