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Form 4

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FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CHIPOTLE MEXICAN GRILL INC
[CMG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1401 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE
500

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2012

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
Chairman & Co-CEO

(Street)
DENVER, CO 80202

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| Common Stock | 03/01/2012 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | V Amount (A) or (D) Price 20,000 A \$ 103.79 | 266,802 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2012 | | D ⁽¹⁾ | 5,268 D \$ 394.1 | 261,534 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2012 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 6,612 D \$ 392.73 (2) | 254,922 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2012 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 8,120 D \$ 393.15 (3) | 246,802 | D | |

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| 2010 Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 103.79 | 03/01/2012 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 20,000 | 02/16/2012 ⁽⁴⁾ 02/16/2017 | Common Stock |
| 2011 Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 268.73 | | | | | 02/11/2013 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/11/2018 | Common Stock |
| 2012 Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 371.63 | | | | | 02/06/2014 ⁽⁶⁾ 02/06/2019 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ells Steve 1401 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80202 | X | | Chairman & Co-CEO | |

Signatures

/s/ Michael McGawn, as
attorney-in-fact
03/02/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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These stock appreciation rights exercises and sales were executed under the terms of a Sales Plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Reflects a weighted-average price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$392.45 to \$392.89 per share. The filing person undertakes to furnish

(2) to the issuer, any requesting shareholder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

Reflects a weighted-average price. Actual sale prices ranged from \$392.91 to \$393.90 per share. The filing person undertakes to furnish

(3) to the issuer, any requesting shareholder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission complete information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(4) 75,000 of the 2010 Stock Appreciation Rights vest on 2/16/2013.

(5) 37,500 of the 2011 Stock Appreciation Rights vest on 2/11/2014.

(6) 37,500 of the 2012 Stock Appreciation Rights vest on 2/06/2015.

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