SHAH HASU P

Form 4

## FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if no longer CHARLENGE CHANGES BY DEVICE CHANGE CHANGE CHANGE CHANGES BY DEVICE CHANGES BY DEVIC

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1(b).

Common

Shares of

Beneficial

Interest Class A

Common

Shares of

Beneficial

Interest

12/29/2008

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subject to

Section 16.

Form 4 or

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHAH HASU P		Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST [HT]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Midd	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
	UT STREET, 9TH	12/29/2008	below) below) Chairman of the Board			
FLOOR						
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
PHILADEL	PHIA, PA 19106		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2.A (Month/Day/Year) Example an	ecution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D				
	(M	Ionth/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)	Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4)			
			Reported (I)			
		(A)	Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			
		or  Code V Amount (D) Pric	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Class A		(	Dr. family			

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1,146 A

\$ 2.81 109,747

\$ 2.82 110,893

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Shree

By family

partnership

Associates

Shree Associates

12/29/2008 P 3,400 A \$ 2.83 114,293 I

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Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest								By family partnership Shree Associates
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	12/29/2008	P	3,500	A	\$ 2.84	117,793	I	By family partnership Shree Associates
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	12/29/2008	P	500	A	\$ 2.845	118,293	I	By family partnership Shree Associates
Class A common Shares of Beneficial Interest	12/29/2008	P	3,300	A	\$ 2.85	121,593	I	By family partnership Shree Associates
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	12/29/2008	P	600	A	\$ 2.86	122,193	I	By family partnership Shree Associates
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	12/29/2008	P	1,800	A	\$ 2.87	123,993	I	By family partnership Shree Associates

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orNumber	Expiration Date	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities	3	(Instr. 3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired				Follo
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(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Date Expiration or Number of Shares

**Reporting Owners** 

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHAH HASU P

510 WALNUT STREET
9TH FLOOR

X Chairman of the Board

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106

**Signatures** 

Ashish R. Parikh as attorney-in-fact for Hasu P. Shah

\*\*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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