#### **CHARMING SHOPPES INC**

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## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SPECTER ERIC M Issuer Symbol CHARMING SHOPPES INC (Check all applicable) [CHRS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 450 WINKS LANE 01/18/2008 EVP - Chief Financial Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BENSALEM, PA 19020 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (	` ′	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/18/2008		M	50,000	A	\$ 4.3125	235,697	D	
Common Stock	01/18/2008		F	43,125	D	\$ 5	192,572	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Ar Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title [
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.3125	01/18/2008		M	50,000	02/18/1999(1)	02/18/2008	Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SPECTER ERIC M 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020

**EVP** - Chief Financial Officer

## **Signatures**

SPECTER,

ERIC M. 01/18/2008

\*\*Signature of Person

Date

## **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) Option became exercisable for 20% of the underlying shares on the date indicated.

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