#### SULLIVAN JOHN J

Form 4

September 16, 2008

# FORM 4

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

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 * SULLIVAN JOHN J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARMING SHOPPES INC [CHRS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 450 WINKS 1	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/12/2008	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  SVP - Controller		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
BENSALEM	, PA 19020			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/12/2008		Code V M	Amount 8,400	(D)	Price \$ 3.9375	81,401	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2008		S	8,400	D	\$ 5.41 (1)	73,001	D	
Common Stock	09/15/2008		M	5,600	A	\$ 3.9375	78,601	D	
Common Stock	09/15/2008		S	5,600	D	\$ 5.32 (2)	73,001	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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or No of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.9375	09/12/2008		M	8,400	10/26/1999(3)	10/26/2008	Common Stock	8
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.9375	09/15/2008		M	5,600	10/26/1999(3)	10/26/2008	Common Stock	5

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SULLIVAN JOHN J 450 WINKS LANE BENSALEM, PA 19020

SVP - Controller

### **Signatures**

JOHN J

SULLIVAN 09/12/2008

\*\*Signature of Date

Reporting Person

# **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) This is a weighted average price. Prices range from a low of \$5.40 to a high of \$5.46.
- (2) This is a weighted average price. Prices range from a low of \$5.30 to a high of \$5.40.
- (3) Option became exercisable for 20% of the underlying shares annually, beginning on the date indicated.

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