Shah Neil H Form 4 March 27, 2013

#### **OMB APPROVAL** FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 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 Shah Neil H Issuer Symbol HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST (Check all applicable) [HT] (First) (Last) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 510 WALNUT STREET, 9TH 03/25/2013 President and COO **FLOOR** (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 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106 (City) (State) (Zip)

(City)	(State)	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. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (l	1	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)
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest			Code V	Amount	(D)	Tite	300,000	I	By Neil and Juhi Shah 2008 Family Trust
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	03/25/2013	03/25/2013	S	22,089	D	\$ 5.907	2,470,877	D	

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Class A Common

68,311 D 2,402,566 Shares of 03/26/2013 03/26/2013 D

Beneficial Interest

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 8. Price of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date** Amount of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Security Underlying Security or Exercise of (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities (Instr. 5) Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Amount or Expiration Title Number Date

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Code V (A) (D)

Shah Neil H

510 WALNUT STREET President and COO 9TH FLOOR

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106

### **Signatures**

/s/ Ashish R. Parikh, as 03/27/2013 attorney-in-fact

> \*\*Signature of Reporting 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).

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