## FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> CRIBB GARY L					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROSS STORES INC</u> [ROST ]												p of Reporti blicable) stor	ng Per	rson(s) to I 10% C	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4440 ROSEWOOD DRIVE, BUILDING 4					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2009									х	belov	cer (give title ow) Executive VI		Other (specify below) P, C.O.O.		
(Street) PLEASA (City)	PLEASANTON CA 94588				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Indivio ne) X	Form Form	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable form filed by One Reporting Person form filed by More than One Reporting ferson				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/					/Year) i	Execution Date,						ties Acquired (A I Of (D) (Instr. 3,			, 4 Secur		icially d	Form (D) o	ect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount		A) or D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			,	(
Common Stock 03/31/20					009	09			A 1		17,944	17,944 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$ <mark>0</mark> .	00	0 80,195			D	
	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)	Execu if any	eemed tion Date, h/Day/Year)	Code (Ir 8)	ansaction de (Instr.		mber rities ired 5 sed () . 3, 4 (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		0. wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. )	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares issued pursuant to settlement of a performance share award under the terms of the 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. Shares vest as follows: 30% on settlement date of March 31, 2009, 30% to vest on first anniversary of settlement date, and 40% to vest on second anniversary of settlement date.

## /s/ John G. Call for Gary Cribb 04/02/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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