FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Panattoni Lisa R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROSS STORES INC</u> [ROST]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4440 ROSEWOOD DR.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/14/2008										x	Officer (give title below)			(specify	
(Street) PLEASANTON CA 94588 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/					y/Year)	Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						S E C	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned following	Form (D) o	rect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Common Stock 04/14/20					.008	08			F		1,296		D	\$31.	.95	133,118(1)		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)	3A. De Execu if any (Monti	Code (li	Transaction Code (Instr.		mber rities ired r osed) 5. 3, 4 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbu		nstr. nount	8. Pric of Deriva Securi (Instr.	derivative ative Securities ity Beneficially	0 F 0 (1 4)	0. Dwnership orm: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr.)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Explanation of Responses:

1. Securities Beneficially Owned reflects shares acquired pursuant to issuer's employee stock purchase plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.

<u>/s/ Lisa R Panattoni,</u> Executive VP. Manhard ... <u>04/15/2</u>008

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** 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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