## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> 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) 04/18/2008										X	belov	er (give title w) cutive VP,	b	elow)		
(Street) PLEASANTON CA 94588 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Indiv ne) X	vidual 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) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3.4. Securities AcTransactionDisposed Of (D)Code (Instr.and 5)						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
CommonStock 04/18/20					2008	008			S		2,701	L	D	\$33.71		130,417		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)	ive Conversion Date Execution y or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		on Date, (Day/Year) Transacti Code (Ins 8)			5. Nu of Deriv Secur (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amou or Numb of Title		ount			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Ind (I) (Ins 4)	(D) irect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

## /s/ Lisa R Panattoni,

04/18/2008 Executive VP, Merchandising

\*\* 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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