Hutchison Thomas J III Form 4 November 25, 2008

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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION									OMB APPROVAL	
	Washington, D.C. 20549							OMMISSION	OMB Number:	3235-0287
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(Print or Type R	desponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hutchison Thomas J III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Lost)	(First) (M	[HT] (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest TransactionX_								
(Last) HERSHA H TRUST, 510 9TH FLOOF	(N 1	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/21/2008					_X_ Director Officer (give t below)		owner r (specify	
PHILADEL	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuriti	ies Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution any (Month		Execution 1	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	11/21/2008			P	10,000	A	\$ 2.41	42,823.6183	D	
Class A Common Shares of Beneficial	11/21/2008			P	30,000	A	\$ 2.6	72,823.6183	D	

Class A Common

Shares of $\frac{11}{21}$ $\frac{\$}{2.75}$ $\frac{4,000}{1}$ I By wife

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 Exercisable Date οf

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Code V (A) (D)

Hutchison Thomas J III HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST 510 WALNUT STREET, 9TH FLOOR PHILADELPHIA, PA 19106

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Signatures

Ashish R. Parikh as attorney-in-fact for Thomas J.
Hutchison III

**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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