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* ROSE MARK						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [PLCE]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 915 SECAUCUS ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/05/2003							below)		ise Pro	below)	, I
(Street) SECAUCUS NJ 07094 (City) (State) (Zip)				4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tal	ole I - Non-De	erivativ	/e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed o	f, or Ber	eficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 3) 5) 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)					es Formally (D) (Following (I) (I		wnership m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
			Table II - Der (e.g					uired, Disp s, options,				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	Code (Instr.		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Employee Stock Options (right to	\$25.625	12/05/2003		A		25,000		09/18/2004 ⁽¹⁾	12/05/2013	Common Stock	25,000	\$25.625	150,400	(2)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Exercisable\ cumulatively\ at\ the\ rate\ of\ 20\%\ on\ September\ 18,\ 2004\ and\ 20\%\ each\ year\ thereafter.$
- $2. \ Consists of 98,200 \ employee \ stock \ options \ currently \ exercisable \ and \ 52,200 \ employee \ stock \ options \ exercisable \ over \ the \ next \ 5 \ years.$

Remarks:

Mark Rose

12/09/2003

** 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).
- ** 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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