FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CROVITZ CHARLES K							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [PLCE]													
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE CHILDREN'S PLACE RETAIL STORES 915 SECAUCUS ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2008										Officer (give title below) Interim Chief Executive Office				
(Street) SECAUCUS NJ 07094 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									S. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X 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. Transa Date (Month/E					Day/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				4 and Sec Bei		ount of ities icially d Following ted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				` ,
Common	Stock, par	value \$0.10 per s	share	12/01/	′2008 ⁽	1)			F		373	373 D \$20.66 28,790 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)	ivative Conversion Date Execution Date, urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any					Transaction Code (Instr.		mber ative rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			Ame Sec Und Der				vative irity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	D) ect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	V (A) (D)				Expiration Date	Title	or Nui of	mber							

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares delivered to the company to pay tax liabilities incident to the vesting of restricted stock on December 1, 2008.

/s/ Lenwood Ross, as Attorney-In-Fact for Charles K. Crovitz

** 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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