FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHILDRENS PLACE RETAIL STORES INC [PLCE]										5. Relationship of Reportin (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below)		10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 915 SECAUCUS ROAD					01	/13/2	2005			`		Day/Year)		Sr. V.P., Marketing							
(Street) SECAUCUS NJ 07094				_ 4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	·	(Zip)					_			_					_					
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ction 2A. Deem			,	3. Transac Code (In 8)	4. Secur Dispose (Instr. 5)		ties Ac I Of (D)	quired	(A) or	5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
G						2005				X	<u> </u>	Amount	- (1	D)	\$20.4	(Instr. 3	and 4)	D			
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10 01/13/. Common Stock, Par Value \$.10 01/13/.										S		10,00	_	A D	\$37.2		000 ⁽¹⁾	D		$\overline{}$	
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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (1 8)				Ex	Date Exe xpiration Month/Day	Date	:	of Se Unde Deriv	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	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)		ate xercisable		Expiration Date	Title	1	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$20.44	01/13/2005			х			10,000	09	9/18/2004	ı (09/02/2013	Comr		10,000	(2)	80,000 ⁽	(3)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes 10,000 shares subject to options currently exercisable. Does not include 80,000 shares subject to options net yet vested.
- 2. Exercise of employee stock option (right to buy).
- 3. Consists of 10,000 employee stock options currently exercisable and 80,000 employee stock options exercisable over the next 5 years.

Remarks:

Brian Kleinberg

01/17/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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