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 Addre	ess of Reporting Pe	rson*	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 X Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last) 915 SECAUCU	ast) (First) (Middle) 5 SECAUCUS ROAD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2005	below) below) Sr. VP, Merchandising
(Street) SECAUCUS (City)	NJ (State)	07094 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of 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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Dis		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10	01/10/2005		X		7,200	A	\$10.695	25,600	D			
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10	01/10/2005		S		7,200	D	\$36.422	18,400	D			
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10	01/10/2005		Х		7,200	A	\$15.55	18,400	D			
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10	01/10/2005		S		7,200	D	\$36.422	11,200	D			
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10	01/10/2005		X		7,200	A	\$25.625	11,200	D			
Common Stock, Par Value \$.10	01/10/2005		S		7,200	D	\$36.422	4,000(1)	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		nsaction de (Instr. 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$10.695	01/10/2005		x			7,200	09/18/2003	01/31/2013	Common Stock	7,200	(2)	92,800	D	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$15.55	01/10/2005		X			7,200	07/31/2004	06/03/2013	Common Stock	7,200	(2)	85,600	D	
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$25.625	01/10/2005		х			7,200	09/18/2004	12/05/2013	Common Stock	7,200	(2)	78,400 ⁽³⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Includes 4,000 employee stock options currently exercisable. Does not include 74,400 employee stock options exercisable over the next 5 years.
- 2. Exercise of employee stock option (right to buy).
- 3. Consists of 4,000 employee stock options currently exercisable and 74,400 employee stock options exercisable over the next 5 years.

Remarks:

01/12/2005

** 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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