SHEPHERD DONALD R

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SHEPHERD DONALD R

(First) (Middle)

203 EAST MAIN STREET

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DENNYS CORP [DENN] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

5. Amount of

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

SPARTANBURG, SC 29319

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

or

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

Price of

(Instr. 3)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

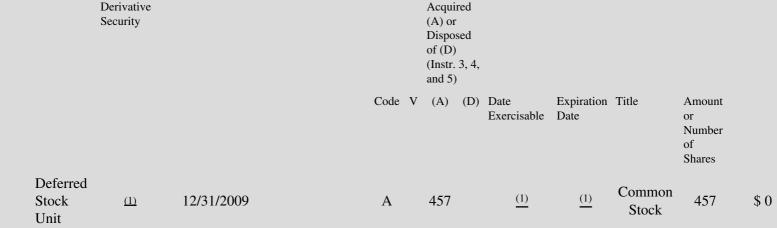
4 Transactionof Code Derivative (Instr. 8) Securities

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SHEPHERD DONALD R 203 EAST MAIN STREET SPARTANBURG, SC 29319	X			

Signatures

J. Scott Melton for Donald R. Shepherd

01/04/2010

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Deferred Stock Units, which were granted under the Denny's Corporation 2008 Omnibus Incentive Plan, were 100% vested upon the date (1) of grant, and are payable, on a "1-for-1" basis, in common stock of the Issuer upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of Denny's Corporation.

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