

MGM MIRAGE
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JAMES PHYLLIS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3600 LAS VEGAS BLVD. SOUTH

(Street)

LAS VEGAS, NV 89109

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MGM MIRAGE [MGM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/13/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

SVP & SENIOR COUNSEL

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | 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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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|---------------|-----|------------------|-----------------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 60.25 | 10/13/2008 | 10/13/2008 | D | | | 27,500 (1) | | 03/03/2009 | 03/03/2015 | | Common Stock \$.01 Par Value ND |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 10/13/2008 | 10/13/2008 | A | | | 5,321 (1) | | (2) | (2) | | Common Stock \$.01 Par Value ND |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| JAMES PHYLLIS 3600 LAS VEGAS BLVD. SOUTH LAS VEGAS, NV 89109 | | | SVP & SENIOR COUNSEL | |

Signatures

Troy McHenry,
Attorney-In-Fact

10/15/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- (1) The reporting person disposed of 27,500 Stock Appreciation Rights (SARs) in exchange for 5,321 Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) in an exchange offer by MGM MIRAGE.
The RSUs will vest on the same dates that the underlying SARs would have otherwise vested, except that no RSUs will vest prior to July 1, 2009. All RSUs which have vested or will vest on or before July 1, 2009 will be replaced by RSUs that vest on July 1, 2009. Prior to vesting, the RSUs will be subject to forfeiture on the same terms as the SARs for which they were exchanged.

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