

HARRAHS ENTERTAINMENT INC
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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 *
 Halkyard Jonathan S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O HARRAH'S
 ENTERTAINMENT, INC., ONE
 CAESARS PALACE DRIVE

(Street)

LAS VEGAS 89109

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HARRAHS ENTERTAINMENT
 INC [HET]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/28/2008

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)
 Sr. VP, CFO and Treasurer

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. Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 01/28/2008 | | D | | 365 | D | (9) 0 |
| Common Stock | 01/28/2008 | | D | | 2,708 | D | (1) \$ 90 (1) 0 |
| Non-Voting Common Stock | 01/28/2008 | | A | | 220.6 | A | (10) 220.6 |
| Non-Voting Preferred | 01/28/2008 | | A | | 107.9 | A | (10) 107.9 |

Stock

Non-Voting
Common Stock 01/28/2008 A 11,325.8 A \$ 100 11,546.41 D

Non-Voting
Preferred Stock 01/28/2008 A 5,539.65 A \$ 100 5,647.54 D

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 (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) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 43.495 | 01/28/2008 | | D | 8,387 | <u>(2)(4)</u> 06/18/2010 | Common Stock | 8,387 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 45.435 | 01/28/2008 | | D | 50,000 | <u>(2)(5)</u> 11/11/2010 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 52.585 | 01/28/2008 | | D | 25,000 | <u>(2)(6)</u> 06/16/2011 | Common Stock | 25,000 |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 73.95 | 01/28/2008 | | D | 40,000 | <u>(2)(7)</u> 06/17/2012 | Common Stock | 40,000 |
| Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 64.97 | 01/28/2008 | | D | 24,606 | <u>(3)(8)</u> 07/19/2013 | Common Stock | 24,606 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Halkyard Jonathan S

Sr. VP, CFO and Treasurer

C/O HARRAH'S ENTERTAINMENT, INC.
ONE CAESARS PALACE DRIVE
LAS VEGAS 89109

Signatures

Jonathan S. Halkyard by Angela P. Winter,
Attorney-in-Fact

01/28/2008

__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) Disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement (the "Merger Agreement") among the Issuer, Hamlet Holdings LLC, ("Parent") and Hamlet Merger Inc. a wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent (the "Merger"), which provides for the cancellation of shares of Common Stock of the Issuer in exchange for \$90.00 per share (the "Merger Consideration").
 - (2) All vested and unvested options were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for cash consideration equal to the Merger Consideration less the exercise price per share.
 - (3) All vested and unvested stock appreciation rights were cancelled pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for cash consideration equal to the Merger Consideration less the exercise price per share.
 - (4) The options were exercisable on 1/1/04, 1/1/05, 1/1/06 and 1/1/07 in the following amounts: 796, 3,796, 3,795 and 3,000 respectively.
 - (5) The options were exercisable in three equal installments on 1/1/04, 1/1/05 and 1/1/06.
 - (6) The options were exercisable in three equal installments on 1/1/05, 1/1/06 and 1/1/07.
 - (7) The options were exercisable in three equal installments on 1/1/06, 1/1/07 and 1/1/08.
 - (8) The stock appreciation rights were exercisable in three equal installments on 6/30/07, 6/30/08 and 6/30/09.
 - (9) Exchanged in connection with the Merger, for 220.60 shares of non-voting common stock and 107.90 shares of non-voting preferred stock of surviving corporation, each having a market value of \$100 per share.
 - (10) 220.60 shares of non-voting common stock and 107.90 shares of non-voting preferred stock acquired through exchange described in footnote 9.

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