

HOFFMAN BRENDAN
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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 *
HOFFMAN BRENDAN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP INC
[NMGA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Pres. & CEO, NM Direct

(Last) (First) (Middle)
THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP, INC., 1618 MAIN STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/29/2004

DALLAS, TX 75201

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|---|------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | | | |
| Common Stock, Class A ⁽¹⁾ | 10/29/2004 | 10/29/2004 | A | V | 865 | A | \$ 0 | 865 | D |
| Common Stock, Class A ⁽²⁾ | 10/29/2004 | 10/29/2004 | A | | 865 | A | \$ 60.83 | 865 | D |
| Common Stock, Class A ⁽³⁾ | 10/29/2004 | 10/29/2004 | A | | 866 | A | \$ 0 | 866 | D |
| Common | | | | | | | | 6,290 | D |

Stock, Class
A
(Restricted)

Common
Stock, Class
A (PRS)

4,400 D

Common
Stock, Class
A

1,104 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Nonqualified Stock Option ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 60.83 | 10/29/2004 | 10/29/2004 | A | 31,042 | 10/29/2007 10/29/2010 | Common Stock, Class A | 31,042 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOFFMAN BRENDAN
THE NEIMAN MARCUS GROUP, INC.
1618 MAIN STREET
DALLAS, TX 75201

Pres. & CEO, NM Direct

Signatures

Brendan
Hoffman

10/29/2004

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).
The Class A Common Stock reported herein as acquired represents shares issuable in the future in respect of matching restricted stock units ("MRSUs") acquired in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3 pursuant to The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. 1997 Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), which includes tax withholding rights.
 - (1) On the same date the MRSUs were awarded, the reporting person agreed to purchase from the Company pursuant to the Plan, in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3, a number of shares of Class A Common Stock of the Company equal to the number of MRSUs noted above (the "Matched Common Stock"). The Company will hold the certificate representing the Matched Common Stock. If the reporting person requests and receives delivery of certificates representing any or all of the Matched Common Stock prior to the vesting of the award of the MRSUs, the reporting person will immediately forfeit a proportionate number of MRSUs.
 - (2) The Class A Common Stock reported herein as acquired represents shares issuable in the future in respect of restricted stock units acquired in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3 pursuant to the Plan, which includes tax withholding rights.
 - (3) Option granted pursuant to The Neiman Marcus Group, Inc. 1997 Incentive Plan, which includes tax withholding rights. Option vests three years from the date of the grant and expires six years from the date of the grant.

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