**SOTHEBYS** Form 4

January 23, 2007

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GILLIS MIKE			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOTHEBYS [BID]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)			
1334 YORK A	VENUE		(Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2007	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Controller, CAO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
NEW YORK, I	NY 10021		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Aco	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionAcquired (A) or		r	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	ode Disposed of (D)		))	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
				(A) or		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/22/2007		M	9,500	A	<u>(1)</u>	13,500 (2)	D	
Common Stock	01/22/2007		S	9,500	D	\$ 35	4,000 (2)	D	

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amous or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option-Right to Buy (3)	\$ 18.875	01/22/2007		M		8,000	<u>(4)</u>	02/24/2010	Common Stock	8,00
Employee Stock Option-Right to Buy (3)	\$ 19.75	01/22/2007		M		1,500	02/24/2005	02/24/2010	Common Stock	1,50

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**GILLIS MIKE** 

1334 YORK AVENUE SVP, Controller, CAO

NEW YORK, NY 10021

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael

Gillis 01/23/2007

\*\*Signature of Date 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).
- (1) Not Applicable
- (2) Includes 4,000 shares of unvested restricted stock.
- (3) Granted under the Issuer's 1997 Employee Stock Option Plan.
- (4) 1,900 stock options became exercisable on 2/24/01, 2/24/02, 2/24/03, 2/24/04; and 400 stock options became exercisable on 2/24/05.

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#### **Remarks:**

The transactions reported on this Form 4 were pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan entered into by Mr. Gillis on December 14, 2006.

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