FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SONSTEBY CHARLES M						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [ EAT ]									heck all a	pplicable) ector		Issuer Owner r (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 6820 LBJ FREEWAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/21/2009										low)			
(Street) DALLAS TX 75240 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ne) <mark>X</mark> Fo	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
		Tabl	e I - Non	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	eficia	lly Ow	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, or ) 8)					d Sec Ben Owi	mount of urities eficially led Following orted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount (A)		A) or O)	Price	Trai	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)		(11150.4)	
Common Stock 08/21/2						2009		S		42,773		D	\$14	.4	62,808	D			
	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)	if any	ution Date, Ti C C C third C C S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S S		ransaction code (Instr. )		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bryan D. McCrory, Attorneyin-Fact for Charles M.

Fact for Charles M. 08/24/2009

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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