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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Add | 1 6 | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BRINKER INTERNATIONAL INC [EAT] | | ationship of Reporting Pe k all applicable) Director | erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 6820 LBJ FREEWAY | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2008 | x | Officer (give title below) EVP & C | Other (specify below) CFO |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indi Line) | vidual or Joint/Group Fili | ng (Check Applicable |
| DALLAS | TX | 75240 | | X | Form filed by One Re | eporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | — | | Form filed by More th Person | an One Reporting |

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) | | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130.4) | |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2008 | | A | | 15,960 | A | \$20.65 | 165,197 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2008 | | F | | 5,223 | D | \$20.65 | 159,974 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 08/15/2008 | | F | | 10,580 | D | \$20.65 | 149,394 | 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) | Derivative Conversion Date Security or Exercise (Month/Da | | e Execution Date, hth/Day/Year) if any | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | mber rities ired osed . 3, 4 | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

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

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08/19/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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