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FORM 4

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10% Owner

Other (specify

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TAUBMAN ROBERT S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SOTHEBYS [BID]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

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

X Director Officer (give title 05/15/2015 below)

1334 YORK AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10021

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Tı
Security	or Exercise		any	C
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Iı

3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and
Execution Date, if	Transaction Derivative		Expiration Date
any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)
(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired	

7. Title and Amount of	8. P
Underlying Securities	Der
(Instr. 3 and 4)	Seci
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	Derivative Security				(A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	05/15/2015	A		455 (2)		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	455
Dividend Equivalent Rights	<u>(5)</u>	05/15/2015	A		92.94 (6)		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	92.94
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	05/15/2015	A		417 (7)		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	417
Dividend Equivalent Rights	<u>(5)</u>	05/15/2015	A		90.28 (8)		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	90.28
Deferred Stock Units	(1)	05/15/2015	A		420		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	420

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TAUBMAN ROBERT S 1334 YORK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021	X						

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan Olsoff as Attorney-In-Fact 05/19/2015

**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) One for One
- (2) Share catch-up issuance for Deferred Stock Units that would have been issued on November 15, 2014 but for a reserved share shortfall now eliminated by shareholder approval of additional Plan shares.
- (3) The deferred stock units were accrued under the Sotheby's 1998 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (as amended and restated, the "Plan") as a result of a partial or full deferral election with respect to stock compensation paid under the Plan. These units

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will be settled 100% in Sotheby's Common Stock (except that fractional shares, if any, will be settled in cash) after the reporting person's termination of service on the Sotheby's Board.

- (4) Not Applicable
- The Dividend Equivalent Rights have accrued under the Sotheby's 1998 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (as amended and restated, the "Plan") with respect to Deferred Stock Units received by the reporting person under the Plan. The Deferred Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalent Rights will be settled 100% in Sotheby's Common Stock (except that fractional shares, if any, will be settled in cash) after the reporting person's termination of service on the Sotheby's Board.
- (6) Share catch-up issuance for Dividend Equivalent Rights that would have been issued on December 15, 2014 (issuer dividend payment date) but for a reserved share shortfall now eliminated by shareholder approval of additional Plan shares.
- (7) Share catch-up issuance for Deferred Stock Units that would have been issued on February 15, 2015 but for a reserved share shortfall now eliminated by shareholder approval of additional Plan shares.
- (8) Share catch-up issuance for Dividend Equivalent Rights that would have been issued on March 15, 2015 (issuer dividend payment date) but for a reserved share shortfall now eliminated by shareholder approval of additional Plan shares.

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