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## FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*\*
SMITHART-OGLESBY DEBRA

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

DENNYS CORP [DENN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

01/24/2007

\_X\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

203 EAST MAIN STREET 01/24/2

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person \_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SPARTANBURG, SC 29319

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution D.

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or any Code Disposed of (D)

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial ar) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4)

(A) Reported
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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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	Derivative Security				or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 5.52	01/24/2007	A		18,900		<u>(1)</u>	01/24/2017	Common Stock	18,900
Deferred Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	01/24/2007	A		8,100		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	8,100

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships
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 $\begin{array}{ccc} \textbf{Reporting Owner Name / Address} \\ & & \text{Director} & \frac{10\%}{\text{Owner}} & \text{Officer} & \text{Other} \end{array}$ 

SMITHART-OGLESBY DEBRA 203 EAST MAIN STREET X SPARTANBURG, SC 29319

## **Signatures**

J. Scott Melton for Debra Smithart-Oglesby 01/26/2007

\*\*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) The option, granted on 01/24/07 pursuant to the Denny's Corporation 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan, vests annually in 33 1/3% increments beginning on the first (1st) anniversary of the grant date and expires on the tenth (10th) anniversary of the grant date.
- Deferred Stock Units were granted under the Denny's Corporation 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan and are payable, on a "1-for-1" basis, in common stock of the Issuer upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director of Denny's Corporation.

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