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### FORM 4

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may continue.

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tunnessen James E   |  |                | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. [FRGI] |  |           |        |  |   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  |  |  |  |
|---|--|----------------|---|--|-----------|--------|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT  |  | (Month/D       | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  |  |           |        |  | (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner |   |  |  |  |
| GROUP, IN   | A RESTAUR<br>IC., 7300 NOI<br>DRIVE, 8TH | RTH            | 08/28/20  | 08/28/2012   |           |        |  |   | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP - Pollo Tropical                                     |  |  |  |
|   |  |                |   | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |           |        |  |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |  |  |
| MIAMI, FL   |  |                |   |  |           |        | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |  |  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |                |   |  |           |        |  |   |   | ly Owned   |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2. Transaction<br>(Month/Day/Yo          | ear) Execution | emed<br>on Date, if<br>'Day/Year)   | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code<br>(Instr.                      | r. 8) (A) |        |  | d of (D)                                  | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)          | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
|   |  |                |   | Code   | V         | Amount | or<br>(D)                                    | Price                                     | (Instr. 3 and 4)  |  |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value   | 08/28/2012                               |                |   | S  |           | 100    | D  | \$<br>15.89                               | 44,446  | D  |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value   | 08/28/2012                               |                |   | S  |           | 200    | D  | \$<br>15.87                               | 44,246  | D  |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par  | 08/28/2012                               |                |   | S  |           | 1,200  | D  | \$<br>15.86                               | 43,046  | D  |  |  |

| value                                   |            |   |       |   |             |        |   |
|---|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|--------|---|
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 3,284 | D | \$<br>15.85 | 39,762 | D |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 3,583 | D | \$<br>15.84 | 36,179 | D |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 1,600 | D | \$<br>15.83 | 34,579 | D |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 400   | D | \$<br>15.82 | 34,179 | D |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>15.81 | 34,079 | D |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 807   | D | \$ 15.8     | 33,272 | D |
| Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value | 08/28/2012 | S | 700   | D | \$<br>15.76 | 32,572 | 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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.                | 5.         | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and     | 8. Price of | 9. Nu  |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber |            | Expiration Date         | Amount of        | Derivative  | Deriv  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code              | of         | (Month/Day/Year)        | Underlying       | Security    | Secui  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)        | Derivativ  | e                       | Securities       | (Instr. 5)  | Bene   |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |                   | Securities |                         | (Instr. 3 and 4) |             | Owne   |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |                   | Acquired   |                         |                  |             | Follo  |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | (A) or     |                         |                  |             | Repo   |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | Disposed   |                         |                  |             | Trans  |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   | of (D)     |                         |                  |             | (Instr |
|             |             |                     |                    |                   |            |                         |                  |             |        |

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(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tunnessen James E C/O FIESTA RESTAURANT GROUP, INC. 7300 NORTH KENDALL DRIVE, 8TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL 33156

EVP - Pollo Tropical

# **Signatures**

/s/ James E.
Tunnessen
08/28/2012

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

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

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