HOWARD JOHN Form 4 March 30, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HOWARD JOHN**

(First)

(Street)

C/O AEROPOSTALE INC., 112

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AEROPOSTALE INC [ARO]

(Month/Day/Year)

03/26/2010

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

NEW YORK, NY 10120

WEST 34TH STREET

(City) (State) (Zip)

03/26/2010

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

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

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Code V Amount (D)

(1)

3,637 Α (1)

D

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOWARD JOHN C/O AEROPOSTALE INC. 112 WEST 34TH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10120	X			

Signatures

/s/ Joseph Pachella as attorney-in-fact for John Howard. 03/30/2010

**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) These are restricted shares of the Issuer's common stock, and are granted to our Board members annually as part of our Board member compensation. These restricted shares vest on March 26, 2011.

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