STAGE STORES INC

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LUCAS RON | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STAGE STORES INC [SSI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|---|----------|----------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all application) | | |
| 10201 MAIN | STREET | | (Month/Day/Year) 06/03/2011 | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, HR | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| HOUSTON, | TX 77025 | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivativ | e Secu | rities Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securionor Dispo (Instr. 3, | sed of 4 and (A) or | ` ′ | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 06/03/2011 | | M | 2,000 | A | \$ 7.22 | 52,254 | D | |
| Common Stock | 06/03/2011 | | S | 2,000 | D | \$ 16.1452 | 50,254 | 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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option | \$ 7.22 | 06/03/2011 | | M | 2,000 | 08/24/2004 | 08/24/2011 | Common Stock | 2,000 |

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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| | |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LUCAS RON

10201 MAIN STREET EVP, HR

HOUSTON, TX 77025

Signatures

/s/ R.E. Stasyszen, Attorney in Fact for Ron Lucas 06/07/2011

**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) This sale was made pursuant to a pre-established, written plan for trading securities pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 adopted by the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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