STAGE STORES INC Form SC 13G/A October 28, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G/A (Rule 13d-102)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b), (c) AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)

	(Amendment No. 3)	
	STAGE STORES, INC.	
	(Name of Issuer)	
	Shares of Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	
	(Title of Class of Securities)	
	85254C305	
	(CUSIP Number)	
	October 9, 2003	
	(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)	
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CUSIP No. 8525	54C305 13G/A	
1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)
	Greenlight Capital, L.L.C. 13-3886851	
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*	(a) [] (b) []

3	SEC USE ONLY			
4	CITIZENSHIP Delaware	OR PLACE OF	ORGANIZATION	
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1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)		
	Greenlight Capital, Inc 13-3871632		
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PERSON WITH		7	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
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1	NAME OF RE	PORTING PERSON	S . OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a) []

David Einhorn

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AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO SCHEDULE 13G

This Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13G (the "Amendment"), relating to shares of common stock of Stage Stores, Inc., a Nevada corporation (the "Issuer"), is being filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an amendment to the Schedule 13G filed on February 14, 2002, as amended by Amendment No. 1 thereto, filed October 15, 2002, as amended by Amendment No. 2 thereto, filed March 18, 2003 (the "Schedule 13G"). This Amendment is being filed on behalf of Greenlight Capital, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Greenlight LLC"), Greenlight Capital, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Greenlight Inc." and together with Greenlight LLC, "Greenlight") and Mr. David Einhorn, principal of Greenlight.

^{**} SEE ITEM 4(b).

This Schedule 13G relates to shares of Common Stock of the Issuer purchased by Greenlight for the account of (i) Greenlight Capital, L.P., of which Greenlight LLC is the general partner, (ii) Greenlight Capital Qualified, L.P., of which Greenlight LLC is the general partner and (iii) Greenlight Capital Offshore, Ltd., to which Greenlight Inc. acts as investment advisor.

ITEM 4 OWNERSHIP.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13G is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

- (a) Greenlight and Mr. Einhorn are the beneficial owners of 0 shares of Common Stock.
- (b) Greenlight and Mr. Einhorn are the beneficial owners of 0% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock.
- (c) Greenlight has the sole power to vote and dispose of the 0 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by it. As the principal of Greenlight, Mr. Einhorn may direct the vote and disposition of the 0 shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by Greenlight.

ITEM 5 OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS.

Item 5 of the Schedule 13G is amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

If this Statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following.

[X]

ITEM 10 CERTIFICATION.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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EXHIBITS EXHIBIT 1

Joint Filing Agreement dated October 28, 2003, among Greenlight LLC, Greenlight Inc. and David Einhorn.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I

certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: October 28, 2003

Greenlight Capital, L.L.C.

By: /s/ DAVID EINHORN

David Einhorn, Managing Member

Greenlight Capital, Inc.

By: /s/ DAVID EINHORN

David Einhorn, President

/s/ DAVID EINHORN

David Einhorn

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