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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ortiz Steven L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol Texas Roadhouse, Inc. [TXRH]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

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

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE.

08/17/2012

below) Chief Operating Officer

INC., 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Demirative Counities Assumed Disposed of an Demoficially Or

below)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

(City)

(,)	(=)	Tabl	e I - Non-L	Derivative	Securi	ties Acqu	nrea, Disposea 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dia (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	08/17/2012		M	52,100	()		246,519	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2012		S	52,100	D	\$ 17.31 (1)	194,419	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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)	orDeriv Secu Acqu or Di (D)	rities nired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	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
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>						(3)	(3)	Common Stock	60,000
Restricted Stock Units	(2)						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	60,000
Restricted Stock Units	(2)						<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	60,000
Restricted Stock Units	(2)						<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	58,333
Option to Purchase	\$ 8.75	08/17/2012		M		18,324	10/08/2006	10/08/2014	Common Stock	18,324
Option to Purchase	\$ 8.75	08/17/2012		M		33,776	10/08/2007	10/08/2014	Common Stock	33,776

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				

Ortiz Steven L C/O TEXAS ROADHOUSE, INC. 6040 DUTCHMANS LANE LOUISVILLE, KY 40205

Chief Operating Officer

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Signatures

/s/ Celia Catlett, by Power of Attorney

y 08/20/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).
- Weighted average sale price reported. These shares were sold within a range of \$17.30 and \$17.36. The reporting person will provide (1) upon request by the Commission Staff, the issuer, or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold.
- (1) upon request by the Commission Staff, the issuer, or security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the Company's Common Stock.
- The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2013. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2013, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2014. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2014, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest on January 7, 2015. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur on January 7, 2015, subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (6) Granted pursuant to a compensatory benefit plan.

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