LEVY BARBARA

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *_ LEVY BARBARA		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ROSS STORES INC [ROST]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an approache)		
4440 ROSEWO BUILDING 4	OOD DRIV	E,	(Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2006	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive VP, Merchandising		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
PLEASANTO	N, CA 9458	8	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	n Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Ownership In Beneficially Form: Direct B Owned (D) or O	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
C			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/09/2006		M		20,000	A	\$ 9.875	166,163	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2006		S		20,000	D	\$ 30	146,163 (1)	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2006		G	V	347	D	\$ 0	145,816	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2006		G	V	575	D	\$0	145,241	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)	TransactionDerivative Expirat		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option	\$ 9.875	01/09/2006		M	20,000	(2)	03/22/2011	Common Stock	20,0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEVY BARBARA 4440 ROSEWOOD DRIVE, BUILDING 4 PLEASANTON, CA 94588

Executive VP, Merchandising

### **Signatures**

/s/ Mark Askanas, Attorney in Fact for Barbara Levy

01/10/2006

\*\*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) Securities Beneficially Owned reflects shares acquired pursuant to issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (2) Option is fully vested and exercisable.

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