

ORBAN GEORGE

Form 4

March 11, 2009

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ORBAN GEORGE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

4440 ROSEWOOD
DR., BUILDING 4

(Street)

PLEASANTON, CA 94588

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ROSS STORES INC [ROST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 03/09/2009 | | M | | 4,000 | A | \$ 10.781 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 77,744 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 30,550 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 10,950 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 1,192,096 |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 30,550 |
| | | | | | | | D |
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| | | | | | | | by Daughter |
| | | | | | | | by Daughter Sophie |
| | | | | | | | by Partnership |
| | | | | | | | by Son |

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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. Transaction 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------------|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 10.781 | 03/09/2009 | | M | 4,000 | <u>(1)</u> | 03/18/2009 | Common Stock | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| ORBAN GEORGE 4440 ROSEWOOD DR. BUILDING 4 PLEASANTON, CA 94588 | X |

Signatures

/s/George P.
Orban 03/11/2009

__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) Six months from date of grant ('Initial Vest Date') grant vests and becomes exercisable as to 1/6 of shares granted and then vests and becomes exercisable as to 1/36 of shares granted per month thereafter.

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