DENNYS CORP Form 4 January 03, 2005

FORM 4

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

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

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

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obligations

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **MELLON HBV ALTERNATIVE** STRATEGIES LLC

> (Last) (First) (Middle)

> > (Street)

200 PARK AVE, STE 3300

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DENNYS CORP [DNYY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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_X__ 10% Owner Director Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10166-3399

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(f (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	12/30/2004		S	400,000 D	O \$ 4.55	14,389,273 (1) (2) (3)	I	owned by Reporting Person as investment advisor and agent to funds listed in Footnote 1 (1)		
Common Stock	12/31/2004		S	500,000 D	\$ 4.5	13,889,273 (1) (2) (3)	I	owned by Reporting Person as investment		

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								advisor and agent to funds listed in Footnote 1 (1)	
Common Stock	12/31/2004	S	25,000	D	\$ 4.5342	13,864,273 (1) (2) (3)	I	owned by Reporting Person as investment advisor and agent to funds listed in Footnote 1 (1)	
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.									
								SEC 1474 (9-02)	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

number.

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MELLON HBV ALTERNATIVE STRATEGIES LLC 200 PARK AVE STE 3300 NEW YORK, NY 10166-3399		X				

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Signatures

/s/ William F. Harley, III, Pres & CEO

01/03/2005

**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).
 - The Reporting Person serves as investment advisor and agent for Mellon HBV Master Rediscovered Opportunities Fund LP, Mellon HBV Master Multi-Strategy Fund LP, Axis RDO Ltd., Mellon HBV Capital Partners LP, Distressed Recovery Master Fund Ltd., Mellon
- (1) HBV Leveraged Multi-Strategy Fund LP, Mellon HBV Master US Event Driven Funds LP and Lyxor/Mellon HBV Rediscovered Opportunity Fund Ltd. The Reporting Person exercises voting and dispository power over all such shares and HFR DS Performance Master Trust, each of which owns shares of Common Stock of the Issuer.
- (2) The Reporting Person exercises voting and dispository power of all such shares.
 - Item no. 5, the Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s), sets forth the aggregate number of shares
- (3) beneficially owned by the Reporting Person following the reported transaction as a result of the Reporting Person's ability to exercise voting and dispository power over the shares reported herein.

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