Alexander Susan Form 4 February 14, 2012

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Alexander Susan

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

SOTHEBYS [BID]

(Check all applicable)

EVP & WW Head of HR

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(State)

(7:m)

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

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title

02/11/2012

below)

1334 YORK AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(C:tr.)

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities nAcquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/11/2012		M	3,619	A	<u>(1)</u>	26,564	D		
Common Stock	02/11/2012		F	1,373	D	<u>(1)</u>	25,191	D		

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (2)	(3)	02/11/2012		M	3,619	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	3,619	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Alexander Susan 1334 YORK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021

EVP & WW Head of HR

## **Signatures**

/s/ Gary Chard as Attorney-In-Fact 02/14/2012

\*\*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) Not Applicable
- (2) Granted pursuant to the Issuer's Restricted Stock Unit Plan
- (3) Restricted Stock Units are convertible into the Issuer's Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) 25% of the restricted stock units granted on February 11, 2009 vest on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th anniversaries from the date of grant.

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