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FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

SACK BURTON M.
(Applebee's International, Inc. 4551 W. 107th Street, Suite 100)
(Street)
Overland Park KS 66207
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Applebee's International, Inc. - APPB

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

12/01

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

N/A

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer

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(Check all applicable)

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

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 Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of,  
 or Beneficially Owned  
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| 1.<br>Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Transaction<br>Date<br>(mm/dd/yy) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) |   | 4.<br>Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                  | Price   |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|------------------|---------|
|                                       |   | Code                                    | V | Amount   | (A)<br>or<br>(D) |         |
| Common Stock                          | 12/04/01                                | S                                       |   | 15,000   | D                | 34.2000 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/05/01                                | S                                       |   | 25,000   | D                | 35.0000 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/05/01                                | S                                       |   | 15,000   | D                | 34.9000 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/05/01                                | S                                       |   | 10,000   | D                | 34.9500 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/10/01                                | S                                       |   | 17,500   | D                | 35.9786 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/14/01                                | S                                       |   | 25,000   | D                | 36.0120 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/17/01                                | S                                       |   | 1,000  | D                | 36.7500 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/05/01                                | S                                       |   | 60,000   | D                | 35.0400 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/14/01                                | S                                       |   | 40,000   | D                | 36.0600 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/05/01                                | S                                       |   | 15,000   | D                | 35.0000 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/14/01                                | S                                       |   | 15,000   | D                | 36.1500 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/14/01                                | S                                       |   | 10,000   | D                | 36.0600 |
| Common Stock                          | 12/18/01                                | S                                       |   | 5,000  | D                | 36.5000 |
| Common Stock                          |   |   |   |  |                  |         |
| Common Stock                          |   |   |   |  |                  |         |
| Common Stock                          |   |   |   |  |                  |         |
| Common Stock                          |   |   |   |  |                  |         |



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/s/ Burton M. Sack

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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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Date

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.  
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