

ESL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS LP  
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**FORM 4**

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

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 \*  
 ESL INVESTMENTS INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SEARS HOLDINGS CORP [SHLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 200 GREENWICH AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/02/2007

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

GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

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

(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (A) or (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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |            |   |                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------|---|----------------------|
|  |                                      |  | Code                           | V  | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |            |   |                      |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 04/02/2007                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | V  | 201,280   | A  | Ⓛ                                 | 48,269,422 | I | See footnote (2) (7) |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 04/02/2007                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | V  | 63,005  | A  | Ⓛ                                 | 17,011,586 | I | See footnote (3) (7) |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share |                                      |  |                                |  |   |  |                                   | 338,239    | I | See footnote (4) (7) |

|  |        |   |                                    |
|--|--------|---|------------------------------------|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 747    | I | See footnote <u>(5)</u> <u>(7)</u> |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 15,999 | I | See footnote <u>(6)</u> <u>(7)</u> |

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) | 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ESL INVESTMENTS INC<br>200 GREENWICH AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830 |               | X         |         |       |
| LAMPERT EDWARD S<br>200 GREENWICH AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830    | X             | X         |         |       |
| CRK PARTNERS LLC<br>200 GREENWICH AVE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830       |               |           | X       |       |
|  |               |           | X       |       |

ESL INVESTORS LLC  
200 GREENWICH AVE  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

ESL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS LP  
200 GREENWICH AVE X  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

ESL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, L.P.  
200 GREENWICH AVE X  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

RBS PARTNERS L P /CT  
ONE LAFAYETTE PLACE X  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

RBS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LLC  
200 GREENWICH AVE X  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

ESL PARTNERS LP  
ONE LAFAYETTE PLAC X  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

## Signatures

/s/ Theodore W. Ullyot, EVP & General Counsel (see signatures of other Reporting Persons as Exhibit 99.1)

05/03/2007

\_\_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).

These shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of the Issuer were distributed by the Issuer on account of previously reported trade vendor/lease rejection claims (and participations in such claims) held with respect to Kmart Corporation by ESL Partners, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("Partners"), and ESL Investors, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company

- (1) ("Investors"). Pursuant to Kmart Corporation's Plan of Reorganization, Partners and Investors (or one or more of their affiliates) have in the past received shares of common stock of Kmart Holding Corporation (the predecessor to the Issuer) and shares of Common Stock from the Issuer. Partners and Investors (or one or more of their affiliates) may in the future receive shares of Common Stock on account of these same trade vendor/lease rejection claims as all trade vendor/lease rejection claims held by all persons continue to be reconciled.
- (2) These securities are held for the account of Partners.
- (3) These securities are held for the account of Investors.
- (4) These securities are held for the account of ESL Institutional Partners, L.P. ("Institutional").
- (5) These securities are held for the account of CRK Partners, LLC ("CRK LLC").
- (6) These securities are held for the account of ESL Investment Management, L.P. ("Investment Management").

This Form 4 is filed on behalf of a group consisting of ESL Investments, Inc. ("ESL"), Edward S. Lampert, CRK LLC, Investors, Partners, Institutional, Investment Management, RBS Partners, L.P. ("RBS") and RBS Investment Management, LLC ("RBSIM"). Mr.

- (7) Lampert, who serves as the Chairman and as a director of Holdings, is the sole shareholder, chief executive officer and director of ESL and the managing member of Investment Management. ESL is the general partner of RBS, the sole member of CRK LLC and the manager of RBSIM. RBS is the general partner of Partners and the managing member of Investors. RBSIM is the general partner of Institutional.

### Remarks:

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Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities reported herein only to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) under the Act, this filing shall not be deemed an admission that the any of the Reporting Persons is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Act or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any securities reported herein in excess of such amount.

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