#### CHARMING SHOPPES INC

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**SECURITIES** 

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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)

450 WINKS LANE

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(Last)

LUCE MICHAEL W

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

01/25/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CHARMING SHOPPES INC [CHRS]

4. Relationship of Reporting

Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group

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

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BENSALEM, Â PAÂ 19020

(City) (State)

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership

Form: Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying **Derivative Security** (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

Security:

Direct (D)

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Date

Amount or Title Number of Shares

Security

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LUCE MICHAEL W

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BENSALEM, PAÂ 19020

## **Signatures**

MICHAEL W 01/25/2006 LUCE

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

No securities are beneficially owned

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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