**HEARUSA INC** Form 4 February 11, 2010

### 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 \* **CHOUINARD GINO** 

1250 NORTHPOINT PARKWAY

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

HEARUSA INC [EAR]

(Check all applicable)

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

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

02/09/2010

below) below)

President and COO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

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

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33407

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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(Instr. 4)

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

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

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

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

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Options	\$ 1.35	02/09/2010		A		100,000		<u>(1)</u>	02/09/2020	Common Stock	100,00
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	02/09/2010		A		55,500		(3)(4)	(3)(4)	Common Stock	55,500

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHOUINARD GINO 1250 NORTHPOINT PARKWAY WEST PALM BEACH, FL 33407

President and COO

# **Signatures**

/s/ Gino
Chouinard

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

O2/11/2010

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 option to purchase 100,000 shares of common stock was awarded on February 9, 2010 pursuant to the Company's stockholder approved 2007 plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 and becomes exercisable ratably over four years starting on February 9, 2011
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of HearUSA, Inc. common stock.
  - The restricted stock units were awarded on February 9, 2010 under the HearUSA, Inc. Amended and Restated 2007 Incentive
- (3) Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 and vest in three equal annual installments once performance criteria are met (i.e., February 2011, February 2012 and February 2013).
- (4) The 55,500 restricted stock units are subject to forfeiture depending upon achievement in 2010 of performance criteria established by the Compensation Committee.

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