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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

Tancredi Samual D

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/01/2008

Ruths Hospitality Group, Inc. [RUTH]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

500 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 100

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

SVP & COO, Mitchell's Fish Mkt Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

HEATHROW, Â FLÂ 32746

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

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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

Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

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

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

HEATHROW, Â FLÂ 32746

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Tancredi Samual D

500 INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY, SUITE 100 Â Â SVP & COO, Mitchell's Fish Mkt Â

Signatures

/s/ James S. Rowe under Power of Attorney

12/04/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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