## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	s of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>N KEVORK S</u>		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>HOVNANIAN ENTERPRISES INC</u> [ HOV ]		ionship of Reporting P all applicable) Director	erson(s X	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) 110 WEST FRO	(First) NT STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/22/2008	Х	Officer (give title below) Chairman of	the B	Other (specify below) oard	
(Street) RED BANK	NJ	07701	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	dual or Joint/Group Fil	eportin	g Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Form filed by More t	nan On	e Reporting Person	

#### 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)	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)	
Class A Common Stock	04/22/2008		D		72,418	D	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	7,157,392	D		
Class A Common Stock								190,000	Ι	Held by wife	

# 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)	ate Execution Date, Transaction of Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Class B Common Stock	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/22/2008		А		72,418		(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	72,418	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	7,138,646	D	
Class B Common Stock	(2)							(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	27,476.54		27,476.54	I	Held by Sirwart Hovnanian through partnership interests in the Limited Partnership
Class B Common Stock	(2)							(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	2,504,521.6		2,504,521.6	I	Held by the Sirwart Hovnanian 1994 Marital Trust <sup>(4)</sup>

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. On April 22, 2008, in transactions approved in accordance with Rule 16b-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Issuer (i) exchanged 72,418 shares of Class B Common Stock held by a member of the Hovnanian family for an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock and (ii) immediately thereafter exchanged the 72,418 shares of Class B Common Stock received from the member of the Hovnanian family for an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock held by the Reporting Person. The aggregate Hovnanian family holdings of shares, both of Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock and Stock and

2. The Class B Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share, non-cumulative, is immediately converted into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock, per value \$.01 per share, non-cumulative

3. No expiration date

4. Held by the Marital Trust, including shares held through partnership interests in the Kevork S. Hovnanian Family Limited Partnership (the "Limited Partnership")

**Remarks:** 

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Fact	04/25/2008

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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