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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 * SMITH ALEX	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIER 1 IMPORTS INC/DE [PIR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	, , ,			
C/O PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC., 100 PIER 1 PLACE	(Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2012	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
FORT WORTH, TX 76102	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ıble I - Noı	1-Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquire	d, 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
common stock	08/31/2012		J(1) V	636.9953	A	\$ 17.812	899,266.6968	D	
common stock	09/04/2012		M	100,000 (2)	A	\$ 6.69	999,266.6968	D	
common stock	09/04/2012		S	100,000	D	\$ 18.7321 (4)	899,266.6968	D	
common stock							659,804	I	By Trust

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Nun Shar
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.69	09/04/2012		M		100,000	<u>(3)</u>	02/19/2017	common stock	100

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH ALEX C/O PIER 1 IMPORTS, INC. 100 PIER 1 PLACE

X President & CEO

FORT WORTH, TX 76102

Signatures

/s/ Alexander W. Smith By: Michael A. Carter, Atty-in-Fact

> **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).
- On August 31, 2012, the Pier 1 Imports, Inc. Stock Purchase Plan, restated as amended, purchased in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c), 636.9953 shares of common stock for the reporting person's account. Such shares were purchased at \$17.8120 per share, the average of the closing prices of the Issuer's common stock on the New York Stock Exchange for each Friday in the month of August 2012, during which contributions were credited to the reporting person's account for the purchase of common stock.

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- (2) Exercise and subsequent sale of shares pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan dated July 6, 2012.
- (3) The option vested on 2-19-08, the first anniversary of the grant.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$18.47
- to \$19.19, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide Pier 1 Imports, Inc., any security holder of Pier 1 Imports, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.

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