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April 23, 2014

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D
Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 4)*

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

835898107

(CUSIP Number)

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 Names of Reporting Persons

MARCATO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LP

2 Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

a. b.
3 SEC Use Only

4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)

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5 Check Box If Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

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6 Citizenship or Place of Organization

DELAWARE

Number of 7 Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 0
8 Shared Voting Power

Owned By

Each
4,562,991
Reporting 9 Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With 0
10 Shared Dispositive Power

4,562,991

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

4,562,991

12 Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13 Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (11)

6.61%

14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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1 Names of Reporting Persons

RICHARD T. MCGUIRE III

2 Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

a. b.
3 SEC Use Only

4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)

AF

5 Check Box If Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

..

6 Citizenship or Place of Organization

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Number of 7 Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 0

8 Shared Voting Power

Owned By

Each

4,562,991

Reporting 9 Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With 0

10 Shared Dispositive Power

4,562,991

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

4,562,991

12 Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13 Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (11)

6.61%

14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

IN

1 Names of Reporting Persons

MARCATO, L.P.

2 Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

a. b.
3 SEC Use Only

4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)

WC

5 Check Box If Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

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6 Citizenship or Place of Organization

DELAWARE

Number of 7 Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 0
8 Shared Voting Power
Owned By

Each

992,167
Reporting 9 Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With

0
10 Shared Dispositive Power

992,167

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

992,167

12 Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13 Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (11)

1.44%

14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

1 Names of Reporting Persons

MARCATO II, L.P.

2 Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

a. b.
3 SEC Use Only

4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)

WC

5 Check Box If Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

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6 Citizenship or Place of Organization

DELAWARE

Number of 7 Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 0
8 Shared Voting Power

Owned By

Each

80,783
Reporting 9 Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With

0
10 Shared Dispositive Power

80,783

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

80,783

12 Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13 Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (11)

0.12%

14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

PN

1 Names of Reporting Persons

MARCATO INTERNATIONAL MASTER FUND, LTD.

2 Check the Appropriate Box If a Member of a Group (See Instructions)

a. b.
3 SEC Use Only

4 Source of Funds (See Instructions)

WC
5 Check Box If Disclosure of Legal Proceedings Is Required Pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)

..
6 Citizenship or Place of Organization

CAYMAN ISLANDS

Number of 7 Sole Voting Power

Shares

Beneficially 0
8 Shared Voting Power

Owned By

Each 3,490,041
Reporting 9 Sole Dispositive Power

Person

With 0
10 Shared Dispositive Power

3,490,041

11 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person

3,490,041

12 Check Box If the Aggregate Amount in Row (11) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)

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13 Percent of Class Represented By Amount in Row (11)

5.06%

14 Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)

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SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 4 supplements the information set forth in the Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on July 30, 2013, as amended from time to time (the "Schedule 13D"), relating to Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares"), of Sotheby's, a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). All capitalized terms contained herein but not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Schedule 13D.

The information set forth in response to each separate Item below shall be deemed to be a response to all Items where such information is relevant. The Schedule 13D is hereby supplementally amended as follows:

Item 2. Identity and Background.

On December 13, 2013, a Certificate of Conversion was filed with the State of Delaware to convert Marcato Capital Management LLC from a limited liability company into a limited partnership named Marcato Capital Management LP.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

The responses to Items 4, 5 and 6 of the Schedule 13D are incorporated herein by reference.

The net investment costs (including commissions, if any) of the Shares directly owned by the private investment funds advised by Marcato is approximately \$189,291,086.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

The responses to Items 3, 5 and 6 of the Schedule 13D are incorporated herein by reference.

The Reporting Persons support the Third Point LLC nominees for the board of directors of the Issuer at the upcoming annual meeting of shareholders.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a presentation made by Marcato at the "Active-Passive Investor Summit" held in New York, New York, on April 22, 2014.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) - (e) As of the date hereof, (i) Marcato and Mr. McGuire may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of 4,562,991 Shares (the "Marcato Shares") constituting 6.61% of the Shares, (ii) Marcato, L.P. may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 992,167 Shares, constituting 1.44% of the Shares, (iii) Marcato II, L.P. may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 80,783 Shares, constituting 0.12% of the Shares and (iv) Marcato International Master Fund, Ltd. may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 3,490,041 Shares, constituting 5.06% of the Shares, each based upon a total of 69,014,860 Shares outstanding as of March 12, 2014 (based on the Issuer's Schedule 14A Proxy Statement, filed with the SEC on March 24, 2014).

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Marcato, L.P. may be deemed to have the shared power to vote or direct the vote of (and the shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of) 992,167 Shares. Marcato II, L.P. may be deemed to have the shared power to vote or direct the vote of (and the shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of) 80,783 Shares. Marcato International Master Fund, Ltd. may be deemed to have the shared power to vote or direct vote of (and the shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of) 3,490,041 Shares. Marcato, as the investment manager of Marcato, L.P., Marcato II, L.P. and Marcato International Master Fund, Ltd., may be deemed to have the shared power to vote or direct the vote of (and the shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of) the Marcato Shares. By virtue of Mr. McGuire's position as managing partner of Marcato, Mr. McGuire may be deemed to have the shared power to vote or direct the vote of (and the shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of) the Marcato Shares and, therefore, Mr. McGuire may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the Marcato Shares.

The transactions by the Reporting Persons in the securities of the Issuer during the past sixty days are set forth in Exhibit 2.

The limited partners of (or investors in) each of Marcato, L.P., Marcato II, L.P., and Marcato International Master Fund, Ltd., or their respective subsidiaries or affiliated entities, for which Marcato or its affiliates acts as general partner and/or investment manager have the right to participate in the receipt of dividends from, or proceeds from the sale of, the Shares held for the accounts of their respective funds in accordance with their respective limited partnership interests (or investment percentages) in their respective funds.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

The responses to Items 3, 4 and 5 of the Schedule 13D are incorporated herein by reference.

As previously disclosed, certain of the Reporting Persons have entered into swaps with respect to the Shares. The number of shares specified in such swaps is 213,177 with respect to Marcato, L.P., 17,357 with respect to Marcato II, L.P., and 749,870 with respect to Marcato International Master Fund, Ltd.

Except for the arrangements described herein, to the best knowledge of the Reporting Persons, there are no contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships (legal or otherwise) among the persons named in Item 2 and between such persons and any other person with respect to any securities of the Issuer, including but not limited to, transfer or voting of any of the securities, finder's fees, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of profits, division of profits or loss, or the giving or withholding of proxies.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Exhibit 1 Agreement by and among Marcato Capital Management LP, Richard T. McGuire III, Marcato, L.P., Marcato II, L.P., and Marcato International Master Fund, Ltd. to file this Schedule 13D and any amendments thereto jointly on behalf of each of them.

Exhibit 2 Transactions in the Shares effected in the past 60 days.

Exhibit 4 Presentation, dated as of April 22, 2014.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: April 23, 2014

MARCATO CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LP

By: Marcato Holdings LLC

By: /s/ Richard T. McGuire III

Richard T. McGuire III

Authorized Person

Date: April 23, 2014

RICHARD T. MCGUIRE III

By: /s/ Richard T. McGuire III

Date: April 23, 2014

MARCATO, L.P.

By: MCM General Partner LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Richard T. McGuire III

Richard T. McGuire III

Authorized Person

Date: April 23, 2014

MARCATO II, L.P.

By: MCM General Partner LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Richard T. McGuire III

Richard T. McGuire III

Authorized Person

Date: April 23, 2014

MARCATO INTERNATIONAL MASTER FUND,
LTD.

By: /s/ Richard T. McGuire III

Richard T. McGuire III

Director