

LUIKART JAMES L
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol |
| Â Jefferies Capital Partners LLC | (Month/Day/Year) | Fiesta Restaurant Group, Inc. [FRGI] |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | 05/07/2012 | |
| | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer |
| | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |

C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS,Â 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR
(Street)

(Check all applicable)

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

NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10022
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> | 6,559,739 <u>(2)</u> | I | See Footnote <u>(1)</u> |

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 Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Jefferies Capital Partners LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS IV LP C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| Jefferies Employee Partners IV LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| JCP IV LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| JCP PARTNERS IV LLC C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |
| LUIKART JAMES L C/O JEFFERIES CAPITAL PARTNERS 520 MADISON AVENUE, 10TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ | ^ X | ^ | ^ |

Signatures

/s/ Brian P. Friedman 05/17/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- (1) See Exhibit 99.
- (2) See Exhibit 99.

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Remarks:

ThisÂ reportÂ isÂ filedÂ jointlyÂ byÂ JefferiesÂ CapitalÂ Partners,Â GeneralÂ Partner,Â ManagerÂ andÂ Mr.Â Luikart,Â

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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