

# FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Gores Sponsor LLC			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Hostess Brands, Inc. [TWNK]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner ____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)		
(Last) 9800 WILSHIRE BLVD.,	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2017					
(Street) BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) ____ Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>					

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	12/13/2017		J	(1)	2,678,572	D	(1)	2,571,170	D	(2) (3) (7)
Class A Common Stock								2,589,286	D	(4) (7)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (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 of Derivative Security: 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						
Warrants (right to buy)	\$ 5.75 (5)	12/13/2017		J	(1)			7,227,274	12/04/2016	11/04/2021	Class A Common Stock	3,613,637 (5) (6)	(1)	1,702,201 (5)	D	(2) (3) (7)	
Warrants (right to buy)	\$ 5.75 (5)								12/04/2016	11/04/2021	Class A Common Stock	2,752,489 (5)		5,504,978 (5)	D	(4) (7)	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gores Sponsor LLC 9800 WILSHIRE BLVD. BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212	X	X		
AEG Holdings, LLC 9800 WILSHIRE BLVD. BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212	X	X		
Gores Alec E C/O AEG HOLDINGS, LLC 9800 WILSHIRE BLVD. BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212	X	X		
PLATINUM EQUITY LLC 360 NORTH CRESCENT DRIVE BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210	X	X		
Gores Tom C/O PLATINUM EQUITY, LLC 360 NORTH CRESCENT DRIVE BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210	X	X		

## Signatures

GORES SPONSOR LLC By: AEG Holdings, LLC, its Managing Member By: /s/ Alec Gores Title: Managing Member <small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		01/08/2018 <small>Date</small>
By: Platinum Equity, LLC, its Managing Member By: /s/ Mary Ann Sigler Title: Chief Financial Officer <small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		01/08/2018 <small>Date</small>

## 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).

(1) Gores Sponsor LLC ("Gores Sponsor") made an in-kind distribution to its members.

(2) Directly owned by Gores Sponsor.

Platinum Equity LLC ("Platinum Equity") and AEG Holdings, LLC ("AEG") are the managing members of Gores Sponsor. Tom Gores is the managing member of Platinum Equity, and Alec

(3) Gores is the managing member of AEG. Each of Platinum Equity, AEG, Tom Gores and Alex Gores has indirect beneficial ownership of the securities owned by Gores Sponsor to the extent of their respective pecuniary interests, if any.

(4) Directly owned by Platinum Equity. Tom Gores has indirect beneficial ownership of the securities owned by Platinum Equity to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

(5) Each warrant is exercisable for one-half of one share of Class A Common Stock at an exercise price of \$5.75 per half share, to be exercised only for a whole number of shares of Class A Common Stock.

(6) Relates to the number shares underlying the warrants disclosed in column 5 as distributed.

(7) Each Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein, except to the extent of such Reporting Person's pecuniary interest therein, if any.

### Remarks:

Exhibit 99.1 (Joint Filer Information), incorporated herein by reference.

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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Joint Filer Information

Name of Joint Filer: AEG Holdings, LLC  
Address of Joint Filer: 9800 Wilshire Blvd.  
Beverly Hills, CA 90212  
Relationship of Joint Filer to Issuer: 10% Owner; Director  
Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol: Hostess Brands, Inc. [TWNK]  
Date of Earliest Transaction Required to be Reported:  
(Month/Day/Year): 12/13/2017  
Designated Filer: Gores Sponsor LLC

Dated: January 8, 2018

Signature:

AEG HOLDINGS, LLC

/s/ Alec Gores

Name: Alec Gores

Title: Managing Member

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Name of Joint Filer:

Alec Gores

Address of Joint Filer:

c/o AEG Holdings, LLC  
9800 Wilshire Blvd.  
Beverly Hills, CA 90212

Relationship of Joint Filer to Issuer:

10% Owner; Director

Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol:

Hostess Brands, Inc. [TWNK]

Date of Earliest Transaction Required to be Reported:  
(Month/Day/Year):

12/13/2017

Designated Filer:

Gores Sponsor LLC

Dated: January 8, 2018

Signature:

ALEC GORES

/s/ Alec Gores

Alec Gores

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Name of Joint Filer: Platinum Equity, LLC  
Address of Joint Filer: 360 North Crescent Drive  
Beverly Hills, California 90210  
Relationship of Joint Filer to Issuer: 10% Owner; Director  
Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol: Hostess Brands, Inc. [TWNK]  
Date of Earliest Transaction Required to be Reported:  
(Month/Day/Year): 12/13/2017  
Designated Filer: Gores Sponsor LLC

Dated: January 8, 2018

Signature:

PLATINUM EQUITY, LLC

By: /s/ Mary Ann Sigler  
Name: Mary Ann Sigler  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

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Name of Joint Filer:

Tom Gores

Address of Joint Filer:

c/o Platinum Equity, LLC  
360 North Crescent Drive  
Beverly Hills, California 90210

Relationship of Joint Filer to Issuer:

10% Owner; Director

Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol:

Hostess Brands, Inc. [TWNK]

Date of Earliest Transaction Required to be Reported:  
(Month/Day/Year):

12/13/2017

Designated Filer:

Gores Sponsor LLC

Dated: January 8, 2018

Signature:

TOM GORES

/s/ Mary Ann Sigler

Mary Ann Sigler, Attorney-in-fact

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