## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 4

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KRAUSE RONALD J			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RUSH ENTERPRISES INC \TX\</u> [ RUSH ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
					Director	10% Owner			
(Last) 555 IH 35 SOUT	(First) TH, SUITE 500	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/27/2008		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) NEW BRAUNFELS	TX	78130	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More that Person	orting Person			
(Citv)	(State)	(Zip)							

## 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.					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)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130. 4)
Class B Common Stock	10/27/2008		М		15,000	A	\$1.5	15,000	D	
Class B Common Stock	10/27/2008		М		30,000	A	\$1.375	45,000	D	

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. Transa Code ( 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Option (right to buy)	\$1.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/27/2008		М			15,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2001	05/15/2011	Class B Common	15,000(1)	\$0	0	D	
Option (right to buy)	\$1.375 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/27/2008		М			30,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/15/2001	03/15/2011	Class B Common	<b>30,000</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0	0	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. This option was previously reported as covering 10,000 shares at an exercise price of \$2.25 per share but was adjusted as a result of the 3-for-2 stock split of Rush Enterprises, Inc.'s Common Stock on October 10, 2007.

2. This option was previously reported as covering 20,000 shares at an exercise price of \$2.0625 per share but was adjusted as a result of the 3-for-2 stock split of Rush Enterprises, Inc.'s Common Stock on October 10, 2007.

<u>Steven L. Keller, Attorney-in-</u> <u>Fact for Ronald J. Krause</u>

10/29/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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