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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Per HERSH MITCHELL E	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MACK CALI REALTY CORP [CLI]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION, 343 THORN	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2008						X_Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President and CEO			
(Street) EDISON, NJ 08837		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu						uired, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	v	(A) or Di (D)	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		d 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following (Instr. 3 and 4) 6. 7. N Ownership Form: Beneficially (Instr. 4) 6. 7. N Ownership Form: Beneficially Ownor Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	12/09/2008		A <sup>(1)</sup>		36,265 (1)	А	\$ 0 (1)	354,639	D		

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	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4.		5.		6. Date Exer	cisable	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date, if	Transacti	ion	Numl	ber	and Expirati	on Date	Amo	unt of	Derivative	Derivative	Ownership	of Indirect
Security	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	any	Code		of		(Month/Day	/Year)	Unde	rlying	Security	Securities	Form of	Beneficial
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Deriv	ative			Secur	rities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Derivative	Ownership
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				Code	V	(A)	(D)				Shares				

# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HERSH MITCHELL E C/O MACK-CALI REALTY CORPORATION 343 THORNALL STREET EDISON, NJ 08837	Х		President and CEO					

### Signatures

/s/ Mitchell E. Hersh	12/11/2008
**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).
- (1) On December 9, 2008, the reporting person was granted 36,265 restricted shares of common stock pursuant to the 2000 Employee Stock Option Plan of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation, which shares shall be fully vested upon issuance and shall be subject to a six month restriction on transfer.

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