FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Stockbridge Master Fund (OS), L.P. (Month/Day/Year) 06/06/2011				nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CARTERS INC [CRI]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERKSHIRE PARTNERS LLC		` ′			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director X	. ,		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
200 CLAREN	DON STREET	Γ, 35TH FLOOR			Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		6. Individual or Join Applicable Line)	t/Group Filing (Check		
(Street) BOSTON	MA	02116							y One Reporting Person y More than One erson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock					30	D ⁽¹⁾					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
Exp			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Securit	ty (Instr. 4) Conve		rcise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security	e or Indirect			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares held directly by Stockbridge Master Fund (OS), L.P. ("Master Fund"). Stockbridge Associates LLC ("SA LLC") is the sole general partner of Master Fund. SA LLC disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares of common stock except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein. Master Fund and SA LLC may be deemed to be, but do not admit to being, a member of a group holding over 10% of the outstanding common stock of the Issuer for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Remarks:

Robert J. Small, Managing Director Stockbridge Associates LLC, its General

06/08/2011

Partner

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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