

Taraporevala Cyrus
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(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 Taraporevala Cyrus | | (Month/Day/Year) | DREYFUS HIGH YIELD STRATEGIES FUND [DHF] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 01/27/2009 | | |
| 200 PARK AVENUE | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| (Street) | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| NEW YORK, Â NY Â 10166 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | Director* | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| Shares of Beneficial Interest, Par Value \$.001 Per Share | 0 | | D | Â |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

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)

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|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
| 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 Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
| | | Title | | | |

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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Amount or Number of Shares | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Taraporevala Cyrus 200 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10166 | Â | Â | Â | Director* |

Signatures

Cyrus
Taraporevala

01/28/2009

**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).

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Remarks:

*Director of The Dreyfus Corporation (the "Investment Advisor")

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