

LOWES COMPANIES INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLACK KENNETH W JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/18/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (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) | 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 | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | | M | 18,392 A \$ 23.5625 | 55,522 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | | S | 18,392 D \$ 65.4 | 37,130 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | | M | 500 A \$ 23.5625 | 37,630 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | | S | 500 D \$ 65.42 | 37,130 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | | M | 200 A \$ 23.5625 | 37,330 | D | |

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|--------------|------------|---|-----|---|------------|--------|---|
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | S | 200 | D | \$ 65.48 | 37,130 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | M | 100 | A | \$ 23.5625 | 37,230 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/18/2005 | S | 100 | D | \$ 65.5 | 37,130 | 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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|----------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Nur of S |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.5625 | 11/18/2005 | | M | 18,392 | 02/02/2001 02/02/2007 | Common Stock | 18 | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.5625 | 11/18/2005 | | M | 500 | 02/02/2001 02/02/2007 | Common Stock | 5 | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.5625 | 11/18/2005 | | M | 200 | 02/02/2001 02/02/2007 | Common Stock | 2 | |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.5625 | 11/18/2005 | | M | 100 | 02/02/2001 02/02/2007 | Common Stock | 1 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BLACK KENNETH W JR 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD | | | Senior Vice President | |

MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Kenneth W.
Black, Jr.

11/21/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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