

Peace Nelson B
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FORM 4

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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 *
Peace Nelson B

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

MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]

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

03/01/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP Corporate Affairs

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

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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 | 03/01/2012 | | F | | 3,981 ⁽¹⁾ | D | \$ 28.38 |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2012 | | A | | 5,000 ⁽²⁾ | A | \$ 0 |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2012 | | M | | 38,000 | A | \$ 15.84 |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2012 | | S | | 38,000 | D | \$ 28.4863 ⁽³⁾ |
| Common Stock | 03/02/2012 | | S | | 8,022.7968 | D | \$ 20,000 |
| | | | | | | | 28.4804 |

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|--------------|------------|---|---------|---|----------|-----------|---|---------------|
| Common Stock | 03/02/2012 | S | 402.095 | D | \$ 28.53 | 0 | I | by IRA-Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 5,369.581 | I | By 401k Plan |

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 15.84 | 03/02/2012 | | M | 38,000 | (5) 03/01/2016 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 28.38 | 03/01/2012 | | A | 25,000 | (6) 03/01/2019 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Peace Nelson B 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117 | | | SVP Corporate Affairs | |

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Nelson B. Peace 03/05/2012

**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) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2009.
- (2) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares will fully vest on March 1, 2015.
This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$28.48 to \$28.495. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$28.48 to \$28.4815. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2010.
- (5) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2013.
- (6)

Remarks:

The information provided for the shares held by the 401k Plan in this report are based on a plan statement dated as of February

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