Hollifield Matthew V Form 4 September 21, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hollifield Matthew V			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD		ARD	09/19/2012	X Officer (give title Other (special below) SVP Chief Accounting Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117		17		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(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. Securit our Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` '	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)	
Common Stock	09/19/2012		M	16,667	A	\$ 23.98	56,747 (1)	D		
Common Stock	09/19/2012		S	16,667	D	\$ 29.5148 (2)	40,080	D		
Common Stock	09/19/2012		M	6,667	A	\$ 25.5	46,747	D		
Common Stock	09/19/2012		S	6,667	D	\$ 29.5148	40,080	D		

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.98	09/19/2012		M	16,667	<u>(3)</u>	03/01/2017	Common Stock	16,6
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.5	09/19/2012		M	6,667	<u>(4)</u>	03/01/2018	Common Stock	6,6

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hollifield Matthew V 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

SVP Chief Accounting Officer

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Matthew V. 09/21/2012 Hollifield

> **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) Direct holdings include 467 shares acquired under the Lowe's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$29.50 to \$29.53. The price reported above reflects the weighted (2) 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.

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- (3) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2011.
- (4) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2012.

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