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(Print or Type R	esponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> ALCORN WILLIAM J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	Aiddle) 3	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check an applicable)			
6501 LEGACY DR			(Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2006				Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title X_Other (specify below) below) below) SVP, Controller / Chief Procurement Officer			
				Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
							Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	rivative So	ecurities Ac	equired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Code V	Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	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 of 50 cent Par Value Common							6,585	D	Der Tressée	
Stock of 50 cent Par Value							10,380.1222	Ι	By Trustee of 401(k)	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ive Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ed (A) osed of		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Mirror Savings Plan	<u>(2)</u>					(2)	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	657.3
Options / Right to Buy / Grant	<u>(3)</u>	03/22/2006		A	10,226 (<u>3)</u>	03/22/2007 <u>(4)</u>	03/21/2016	Common Stock	10,22

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ALCORN WILLIAM J						
6501 LEGACY DR			SVP, Controller	Chief Procurement Officer		
PLANO, TX 75024						
Signaturos						

Signatures

**Signature of Reporting

Person

Ralph H.Richardson***03/24/2006

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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Equivalent shares based on units of JCPenney stock held by trustee of 401(k) plan, and assigned to my account, as of February 28, 2006, pursuant to plan. Differences in totals reported since last Form 4 or Form 5 represent units acquired by trustee since then in the ordinary course of plan's administration and reflects adjustments made to all equivalent shares in plan, divided among accounts of all participants in plan, all exempt under Rule 16b-3.

- (2) Equivalent shares based on units credited under the Company's Mirror Savings Plan I, II, III.
- (3) Employee Stock Option, granted under Rule 16b-3 employee stock option plan.

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(4) One-third of the options can be exercised on 3/22/2007, one-third on 3/22/2008 and one-third on 3/22/2009.

Remarks:

***Under continuing POA as filed with the S.E.C.

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