

LOWES COMPANIES INC
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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 CROOM MARSHALL A | | (Month/Day/Year) | LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD | | | | |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| MOORESVILLE,Â NCÂ 28117 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | (give title below) (specify below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | SVP & Chief Risk Officer | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 75,744.2712 | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 6,884.13 | I | By 401k Plan |
| Common Stock | 839.902 | I | By IRA |

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)

| 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 | 4. Conversion or Exercise | 5. Ownership Form of | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|---|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|------------|
| Benefit Restoration Plan Stock Units | Â <u>(1)</u> | Â <u>(1)</u> | Common Stock | 991.8337 | \$ <u>(1)</u> | D | Â |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | 03/01/2005 | 03/01/2010 | Common Stock | 5,574 | \$ 19.65 | D | Â |
| Incentive Stock Option (right to buy) | 03/01/2004 | 03/01/2009 | Common Stock | 4,114 | \$ 21.995 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 03/01/2004 | 03/01/2010 | Common Stock | 4,894 | \$ 19.65 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 02/01/2005 | 02/01/2009 | Common Stock | 17,500 | \$ 22.85 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 08/01/2004 | 08/01/2010 | Common Stock | 44,480 | \$ 23.5 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â <u>(2)</u> | 03/01/2015 | Common Stock | 23,000 | \$ 23.97 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | 03/01/2005 | 03/01/2011 | Common Stock | 21,150 | \$ 28.375 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â <u>(3)</u> | 03/01/2012 | Common Stock | 20,290 | \$ 29.175 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â <u>(4)</u> | 03/01/2014 | Common Stock | 14,000 | \$ 32.21 | D | Â |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | Â <u>(5)</u> | 03/01/2013 | Common Stock | 22,000 | \$ 34.16 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CROOM MARSHALL A 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117 | Â | Â | Â SVP & Chief Risk Officer | Â |

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Marshall A. Croom

02/04/2009

__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).
- (1) Each unit is the equivalent of one share of common stock. In accordance with the terms of the Benefit Restoration Plan, the value of the units becomes payable in cash following the reporting person's termination.
- (2) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2009.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2006.
- (4) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2008.
- (5) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2007.

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