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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

LOWES COMPANIES INC

Form 4

December 12, 2012

FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BRIDGEFORD GREGORY M | | | 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) | | | |
| 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD | | 'ARD | (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2012 | Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Customer Officer | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| MOORESVI | LLE, NC 28 | 3117 | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivative | Secui | rities Acqu | ired, Disposed of, | or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit or 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 | 12/10/2012 | | M | 62,000 | A | | 320,995 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/10/2012 | | S | 62,000 | D | \$ 34.944 (1) | 258,995 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 183,955.643 | I | by 401(k) 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 ctionDerivative Securities 8) 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) | \$ 34.16 | 12/10/2012 | | M | | 62,000 | (2) | 03/01/2013 | Common Stock | 62,0 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRIDGEFORD GREGORY M 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

Chief Customer Officer

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Gregory M. Bridgeford

12/12/2012

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$34.93 to \$34.9750. The price reported above reflects the
- (1) 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.
- (2) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2007.

Remarks:

The information provided for the shares held by the 401(k) Plan in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of Novemb Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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