

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On July 18, 2018, Joseph M. McFarland, Executive Vice President, Chief Customer Officer of J. C. Penney Company, Inc. (the "Company") and a member of the Company's Office of the CEO, notified the Company that he is leaving the Company, effective August 1, 2018.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC.

/s/ Brynn Evanson

Brynn Evanson

By: Executive Vice President,
Human Resources

Date: July 20, 2018