JOHNSTON LAWRENCE R

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JOHNSTON LAWRENCE R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First)

250 PARKCENTER BLVD., P.O.

(Middle)

HOME DEPOT INC [HD] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director

10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2005

BOX 20

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

(Check all applicable)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOISE, ID 83726

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I)

(Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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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

or Exercise

Security

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Conversion

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	(D)					(]
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Rights	(1)	09/16/2004		A	5.3407		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	5.3407	
Deferred Stock Rights	(1)	12/16/2004		A	4.8636		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4.8636	
Deferred Stock Units	(2)	09/16/2004		P	2.9374		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2.9374	
Deferred Stock Units	(2)	12/16/2004		A	2.9789		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2.9789	
Deferred Stock Units	(3)	02/24/2005		A	126.199		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	126.199	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JOHNSTON LAWRENCE R 250 PARKCENTER BLVD. P.O. BOX 20 BOISE, ID 83726	X						

Signatures

/s/ Rita L. Fadell, Attorney-in-fact 02/28/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date
Description

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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The deferred stock rights represent dividend equivalents credited with respect to deferred stock rights previously acquired and reported under The Home Depot, Inc. 1997 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan. Both the dividend equivalents and deferred stock rights previously

- (1) acquired and reported convert to shares of Common Stock on a one-for-one basis upon the earlier of (i) the first anniversary of the director's termination of service as a Board member, (ii) the date of the director's death, retirement or disability, or (iii) the date of a change in control of the Company.
- (2) The deferred stock units represent dividend equivalents credited with respect to deferred stock units previously acquired and reported. Both the dividend and the deferred stock units previously acquired and reported convert to shares of Common Stock on a one-for-one

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basis following a termination of service as described in The Home Depot, Inc. NonEmployee Directors' Deferred Stock Compensation Plan

(3) The Deferred Stock Units convert to shares of Common Stock on a one-for-one basis following a termination of service as described in The Home Depot, Inc. NonEmployee Directors' Deferred Stock Compensation Plan.

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