LOWES COMPANIES INC

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SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NIBLOCK ROBERT A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Chook all application)		
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD		RD	(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Che		
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/01/2010		Code V D	Amount 120,750 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	(Instr. 3 and 4) 790,403.6	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2010		A	181,000 (2)	A	\$ 0	971,403.6	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F	16,816 (3)	D	\$ 23.98	954,587.6	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F	11,682 (4)	D	\$ 23.98	942,905.6	D	
Common Stock							22,071.6476	I	By 401k Plan

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Common Stock	800.572	I	by IRA-Spouse
Common Stock	800	I	by Managed IRA Acct.
Common Stock	9,512	I	by Son-1
Common Stock	9,512	I	by Son-2
Common Stock	46,130.798	I	by Spouse

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Secur
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.98	03/01/2010		A	523,000	<u>(5)</u>	03/01/2017	Common Stock	52

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
NIBLOCK ROBERT A 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117	X		Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Robert A.
Niblock
03/03/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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).
- (1) Represents the forfeiture of restricted stock pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan due to the Company not achieving the established performance targets.
- (2) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares will fully vest on March 1, 2013.
- (3) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2007.
- (4) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2005.
- (5) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2011.

Remarks:

The information provided for the shares held by the 401k Plan in this report are based on a plan statement dated as of March 1 Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.