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# FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW] A Robinson William D (Month/Day/Year) 05/27/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Officer Other Person MOORESVILLE, NCÂ 28117 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One SVP Int'l Oper & Cust Sup Svcs Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 16,182.8085 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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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)	•		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	,

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	03/01/2016	Common Stock	8,226	\$ 15.84	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	08/01/2015	Common Stock	2,470	\$ 20.3	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	03/01/2017	Common Stock	13,670	\$ 23.98	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	03/01/2018	Common Stock	16,000	\$ 25.5	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Robinson William D 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117	Â	Â	SVP Int'l Oper & Cust Sup Svcs	Â		

# **Signatures**

By: Sandra Felton For: William D.
Robinson
06/03/2011

\*\*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) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2010.
- (2) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on August 1, 2009.
- (3) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2011.
- (4) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2012.

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