

LOWES COMPANIES INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BROWN MICHAEL K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD

(Street)

MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/05/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP Chief Information Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/05/2012		M		122,000	A	\$ 15.84 249,022
Common Stock	03/05/2012		S		122,000	D	\$ 28.2749 127,022 (1)
Common Stock	03/05/2012		S		35,690	D	\$ 28.3084 91,332 (2)
Common Stock	03/05/2012		G	V	520	D	\$ 0 90,812
	03/07/2012		G	V	300	D	\$ 0 90,512

Common Stock									
Common Stock	03/05/2012		G V 260	A	\$ 0	260	I		by Daughter
Common Stock	03/05/2012		G V 260	A	\$ 0	260	I		by Son
Common Stock						78,660.86	I		By 401k 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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nur Sha
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.84	03/05/2012		M	122,000	<u>(3)</u>	03/01/2016	Common Stock	12

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROWN MICHAEL K 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117			EVP Chief Information Officer	

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Michael K. Brown 03/07/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$28.23 to \$28.3201. The price reported above reflects the 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) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$28.30 to \$28.32. The price reported above reflects the 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.

(3) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2010.

Remarks:

The information provided for the shares held by the 401k Plan in this report are based on a plan statement dated as of February

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