KEENER GAITHER M JR

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KEENER GAITHER M JR			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	•		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD			03/01/2010	X Officer (give title Other (spectolelow) below) SVP, Genl Counsel, Secty, CCC		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	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)
Common Stock	03/01/2010		D	10,500 (1)	D	\$ 0	97,188 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2010		A	24,000 (3)	A	\$ 0	121,188	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F	1,136 (4)	D	\$ 23.98	120,052	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F	529 (5)	D	\$ 23.98	119,523	D	
Common Stock							75,055.2866	I	By 401k Plan

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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)	Expiration D	te Exercisable and ation Date 7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		Securit
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.98	03/01/2010		A	70,000	<u>(6)</u>	03/01/2017	Common Stock	70,0

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KEENER GAITHER M JR			SVP, Genl				
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD			Counsel,				

1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Gaither M. Weener, Jr. 03/03/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Direct holdings include 480 shares acquired under the Lowe's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares will fully vest on March 1, 2013.
- (4) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2007.
- (5) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2005.

(6) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2011.

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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

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