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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KEENER GAITHER M JR Issuer Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD 03/01/2013 below) below) CLO, CCO and Secretary (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MOORESVILLE, NC 28117 Person

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially (
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	and 5	o)	Beneficially Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/01/2013		F	8,027 (1)	D	\$ 38.38	68,890 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2013		A	13,000 (3)	A	\$0	81,890	D		

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.38	03/01/2013		A	55,000	<u>(4)</u>	03/01/2023	Common Stock	55,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KEENER GAITHER M JR 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

CLO, CCO and Secretary

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Gaither M. Keener, Jr.

03/04/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2010.
- (2) Direct holdings include 327 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, 2016.
- (4) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2014.

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