

LOWES COMPANIES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

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)
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD

(Street)

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

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

MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 03/05/2012 | | M | V | 122,000 A \$ 15.84 | 249,022 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/05/2012 | | S | D | 122,000 D \$ 28.2749 (1) | 127,022 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/05/2012 | | S | D | 35,690 D \$ 28.3084 (2) | 91,332 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/05/2012 | | G | V | 520 D \$ 0 | 90,812 | D |
| | 03/07/2012 | | G | V | 300 D \$ 0 | 90,512 | D |

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|--------------|------------|--|---------|---|------|-----------|---|--|--------------|
| 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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