Peace Nelson B Form 4 March 03, 2011

## FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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 \* Peace Nelson B

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]

1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify below) below)

03/01/2011

**SVP** Corporate Affairs

(Check all applicable)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

#### MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Tab   | ole I - Non-  | Derivativ    | e Secı           | ırities A  | cquired, Disposed                              | d of, or Benefi                                       | cially Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------|------------------|--|--|---|--------------|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |              |                  | Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect      | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |              |
|                                      |   |   | Code V  | Amount       | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price  | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | (I)<br>(Instr. 4)                                     |              |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 03/01/2011                              |   | D   | 2,120<br>(1) | D                | \$0  | 36,883.7968                                    | D   |              |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 03/01/2011                              |   | A   | 6,000<br>(2) | A                | \$0  | 42,883.7968                                    | D   |              |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 03/01/2011                              |   | F   | 3,245<br>(3) | D                | \$<br>25.5                                       | 39,638.7968                                    | D   |              |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 03/01/2011                              |   | F   | 2,002<br>(4) | D                | \$<br>25.5                                       | 37,636.7968                                    | D   |              |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |   |   |              |                  |  | 5,248.429                                      | I   | By 401k Plan |

Common Stock 402.095 I by IRA-Spouse

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) |                           |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable                                      | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of Sh |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 25.5   | 03/01/2011                           |   | A                                      | 19,000   | <u>(5)</u>   | 03/01/2018         | Common<br>Stock  | 19,0                      |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Peace Nelson B

1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD SVP Corporate Affairs MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

**Signatures** 

By: Sandra Felton For: Nelson B.
Peace 03/03/2011

\*\*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) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares will fully vest on March 1, 2014.
- (3) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2006.

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- (4) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2008.
- (5) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2012.

#### **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 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 a currently valid OMB number.