BERNAUER DAVID W

Form 4

October 02, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue.

See Instruction

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERNAUER DAVID W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2012

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | orDerivative | Expiration Date | Underlying Securities |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | Securities | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or | | |

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| | Derivative Security | | | | Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|------------|------|---|--------------------------------------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock (1) | (2) | 09/30/2012 | A | | 496.032 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 496.032 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| r g | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| BERNAUER DAVID W 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: David W.
Bernauer 10/02/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** 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 credit of deferred compensation to the Reporting Person's deferred stock account under the Issuer's Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. The Reporting Person becomes entitled to the cash value of the phantom stock upon ceasing to be a director of the Issuer.
- (3) Includes the credit of dividends to the Reporting Person's deferred stock account under the Issuer's Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan.

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