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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement BIG LOTS INC [BIG] A Berger Jeffrey Paul (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) P.O. BOX 57 (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner _X__ Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer _ Other Person PITTSBURGH, Â PA Â 15230 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 0 D Â No securities beneficially owned. Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	Ownership Beneficial Ownersh Form of (Instr. 5) Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
					Price of		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or	Security Dire	Security: Direct (D)	
				Number of		or Indirect	

Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Berger Jeffrey Paul

P.O. BOX 57 \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A}

PITTSBURGH, PAÂ 15230

Signatures

Charles W. Haubiel II, attorney in fact for Jeffrey P. Berger

08/23/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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