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(Print or Type R	esponses)								
1. Name and Ac PICHLER JC	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First) (1	Middle)		of Earliest T Day/Year) 2005	ransaction		X_ Director Officer (giv below)		% Owner her (specify
	(Street)	-	4. If Am	endment, D onth/Day/Yea	-	al	6. Individual or . Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by	One Reporting P	erson
CINCINNAT	FI, OH 45202						Form filed by Person	More than One R	eporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
	2. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, -	(A) or of (D)	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)
Reminder: Repo	rt on a separate line	for each cl	ass of sec	urities bene	ficially ow	ned 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	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Price
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Derivativ
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Security

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Securi Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. and 5)	red sed 3, 4,					(Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/31/2005		A		267		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	267	\$ 62.6 (<u>3)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationsh			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
PICHLER JOSEPH A 119 EAST COURT STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Х				
Signatures					

/s/Christopher M. Kelly, as attorney-in-fact for Joseph A. Pichler pursuant to a Power of Attorney 01/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (2) Units are to be settled in Common Stock upon the Reporting Person's termination from the Board of Directors.

(3) The price noted is the average of the value of the stock units granted each month during the quarter for which this report is filed.

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