

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 *
Alvarez Ralph

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD
(Street)
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/02/2015

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security		Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
			V	(A)				
Phantom Stock ⁽¹⁾	<u>(2)</u>	10/02/2015 ⁽³⁾	A	373.772	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	373.772

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Alvarez Ralph 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117			X	

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Raul (Ralph) Alvarez 10/06/2015

 **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.

The regularly scheduled crediting date for the deferred compensation was September 30, 2015. However, during the period beginning September 24, 2015 and ending October 1, 2015, the Reporting Person was subject to trading restrictions imposed under Section 306 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and Section 104 of Regulation BTR under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as a result of a blackout period under the Lowe's 401(k) Plan. See Form 8-K filed by the Issuer for Item 5.04 on August 20, 2015. The crediting of the deferred compensation was delayed until the expiration of the trading restrictions.
- (4) 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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