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December 15, 2005 **OMB APPROVAL** FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SOWDER ERIC D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Mide		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
			12/15/2005	X Officer (give title Other (speci below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)) (State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi ord Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` '	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Commo Stock	n 12/15/2005		S	300	D	\$ 68.8648	15,872	I	by Trust
Commo Stock	n						3,810	D	
Commo Stock	n						1,825	I	by IRA

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.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Tit.	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
D	erivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	iorNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	unt of	Derivative	Deriv
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		Derivative				Securities	S		(Instr	. 3 and 4)		Own
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						(Instr. 3,						
						4, and 5)						
										Amount		
							Date	Expiration		or		
							Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
										of		
					Code V	$^{\prime}$ (A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsinps							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
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1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

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Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Eric D. Sowder 12/15/2005

**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).

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