

LOWES COMPANIES INC

Form 4

March 04, 2008

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HULL ROBERT F JR**

(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)  
03/01/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP-Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_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**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 03/01/2008                              |                                                             | A                                       | 60,000<br>(1)                                                           | A \$ 0 215,868.1946                                                                                             | D                                                                       |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 03/01/2008                              |                                                             | F                                       | 4,300<br>(2)                                                            | D \$ 23.97 211,568.1946                                                                                         | D                                                                       |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                         | 5,992.68                                                                                                        | I                                                                       | By 401k<br>Plan                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                         | 2,718.7332                                                                                                      | I                                                                       | by IRA                                                            |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                         | 8,079.0652                                                                                                      | I                                                                       | by Trust                                                          |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     | 7. Title and Amount<br>Underlying Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                    |                 |                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                                                         | (A)                                                            | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>Number of<br>Shares |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 23.97                                                           | 03/01/2008                              |                                                             | A                                    |                                                                                                           | 143,000                                                        |     | <u>(3)</u>                                                     | 03/01/2015         | Common<br>Stock | 143,000                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                    | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| HULL ROBERT F JR<br>1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD<br>MOORESVILLE, NC 28117 | EVP-Chief Financial Officer      |

## Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Robert F.  
Hull, Jr. 03/04/2008

\_\_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) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares are subject to forfeiture if performance standard for fiscal years 2008 through 2010 is not achieved.
- (2) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2005.
- (3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2009.

### Remarks:

The information provided for the shares held by the 401k Plan in this report are based on a plan statement dated as of February

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