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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

December 8, 2003

LOWE'S COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina

1-7898

56-0578072

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1000 Lowe's Blvd., Mooresville, NC

28117

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (704) 758-1000

Item 5. Other Events

On December 8, 2003, Lowe's Companies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release, furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference, announcing the approval of a \$1 billion share repurchase program, as well as the declaration of a cash dividend.

The information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibit attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. Furthermore, the information contained in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 7.

Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release dated December 8, 2003, announcing the approval of a \$1 billion share repurchase program, as well as the declaration of a cash dividend

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

LOWE'S COMPANIES, INC.

December 8, 2003

Date

/s/Kenneth W. Black, Jr.

Kenneth W. Black, Jr.

Senior Vice President and

Chief Accounting Officer

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