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LOWES COMPANIES INC Form 8-K May 16, 2005

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 May 16, earliest event reported) 2005

LOWE'S COMPANIES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina	1-7898	56-0578072
(State or other	(Commission File	(IRS Employer
jurisdiction	Number)	Identification No.)
of incorporation)		

1000 Lowe's Blvd., Mooresville, NC
(Address of principal executive offices)

28117
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area 758-1000 code

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On May 16, 2005, Lowe's Companies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release, furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference, announcing the Company's financial results for the quarter ended April 29, 2005.

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 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 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(c) EXHIBITS

99.1 Press Release dated May 16, 2005, announcing the financial results of the Company for its first quarter ended April 29, 2005.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

LOWE'S COMPANIES, INC.

Date: May 16, 2005 By: /s/ Kenneth W. Black, Jr.

Kenneth W. Black, Jr. Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer