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

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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 * WAGNER ROBERT F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD		ARD	(Month/Day/Year) 09/07/2005	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP Store Operations			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117							

(City)	(State)	^(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	y 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)	n(A) or Di	A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	09/07/2005		M	1,000	A	\$ 39.3	1,000	D	
Common Stock	09/07/2005		S	1,000	D	\$ 66.2	0	D	
Common Stock	09/07/2005		M	1,000	A	\$ 39.3	1,000	D	
Common Stock	09/07/2005		S	1,000	D	\$ 66.206	0	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.3	09/07/2005		M	1,000	03/01/2004	03/01/2010	Common Stock	1,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 39.3	09/07/2005		M	1,000	03/01/2004	03/01/2010	Common Stock	1,0

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WAGNER ROBERT F 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

SVP Store Operations

Signatures

By: Ben Adams For: Robert F. Wagner

09/08/2005

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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