#### WAGNER ROBERT F

Form 4

November 23, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common Stock

(SOFE)

11/09/2005

(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			(Month/Day/Year) 11/22/2005					DirectorX Officer (given below) SVP		Owner er (specify	
				If Amendment, Date Original led(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MOORESVILLE, NC 28117								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	11/22/2005			Code V M	Amount 4,461	(D)	Price \$ 43.99	4,461	D		
Common Stock	11/22/2005			S	4,461	D	\$ 66.07	0	D		

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 43.99	11/22/2005		M	4,461	03/01/2003	03/01/2009	Common Stock	4,461

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

**SVP Store Operations** 

## **Signatures**

By: Sandra Felton For: Robert F. Wagner

11/23/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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