LOWES COMPANIES INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]	(Check all applicable)		
3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2006	XDirector 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
	Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2006 4. If Amendment, Date Original		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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)	4. Securities Acquired ior(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or 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	03/31/2006		P	11,000	A	\$ 65.02	76,500	D	
Common Stock	03/31/2006		P	600	A	\$ 65.02	1,740	I	by Spouse
Common Stock	03/31/2006		P	3,500	A	\$ 65.02	14,807	I	by Trust
Common Stock							140	I	by IRA

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	4, and 5)		•	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

SLOAN O TEMPLE JR 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD X MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: O. Temple Sloan, Jr. 04/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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