LOWES COMPANIES INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BRIDGEFORD GREGORY M | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|---------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check an applicable) | | | |
| 1000 LOWE'S | BOULEVA | ARD | (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2007 | Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP Business Development | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| MOORESVILLE, NC 28117 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - No | n-I | Derivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, 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) | Code (Instr. 8 | | 4. Securitin(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) | posed | 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 | 12/18/2006 | | G | V | 2,250 | D | \$ 0 | 257,362 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2007 | | A | | 38,000 (1) | A | \$ 0 | 295,362 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2007 | | F | | 4,860 (2) | D | \$ 32.21 | 290,502 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/2007 | | D | | 11,540 | D | (3) | 278,962 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 163,975.6087 | I | By 401k Plan |

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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 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 of TransactionDerivative 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---------------|--|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Sh |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 32.21 | 03/01/2007 | | A | 80,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 03/01/2014 | Common Stock | 80,0 |
| Phantom Stock | \$ 0 | 03/01/2007 | | A | 11,540 (5) | <u>(6)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 11,5 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRIDGEFORD GREGORY M 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117

EVP Business Development

Signatures

By: Sandra Felton For: Gregory M.

Bridgeford

03/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- (1) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares are subject to forfeiture if performance standard for fiscal years 2007 through 2009 is not achieved.
- (2) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on 3/1/04.
- (3) Mandatory forfeiture of restricted stock pursuant to Deferred Compensation Program.
- (4) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2008.

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- (5) Phantom shares credited to Deferred Compensation Program account in exchange for restricted stock required to be forfeited under the Deferred Compensation Program.
- (6) Reporting person receives an equivalent number of shares of common stock when compensation expense for the issuance of those shares is not subject to the deduction limitation of Code Section 162(m).

Remarks:

The information provided for the shares held by the 401k Plan in this report are based on a plan statement dated as of January Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.