LOWES COMPANIES INC Form S-8 POS June 05, 2009

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Registration No. 333-75793

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

Post-Effective Amendment No. 1

to

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Lowe s Companies, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

North Carolina

56-0578072

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1000 Lowe s Boulevard Mooresville, North Carolina

28117

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Lowe s/Eagle Stock Option Plan

(Full title of the Plan)

Gaither M. Keener, Jr., Esq.
Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary
and Chief Compliance Officer
Lowe s Companies, Inc.
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated Accelerated filer o Smaller reporting

filer þ

Non-accelerated filer o (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) company o

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 (the Post-Effective Amendment) to Registration Statement on Form S-8, No. 333-75793 (the Registration Statement) of Lowe s Companies, Inc. (the Company or the Registrant) is being file to terminate the effectiveness of the Registration Statement and to deregister all unsold securities (417,540 shares of the Registrant s Common Stock and 417,540 preferred share purchase rights) reserved for issuance and registered for sale under the Lowe s/Eagle Stock Option Plan (the Plan). The Plan has expired by its terms and all stock options granted thereunder or governed thereby have either been exercised or expired unexercised. The Registrant is filing this Post-Effective Amendment in accordance with the undertaking in the Registration Statement to terminate the effectiveness of the Registration Statement and to remove from registration all securities that remain unsold at the termination of the offering through the Plan.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Mooresville, State of North Carolina, on May 29, 2009.

LOWE S COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Gaither M. Keener, Jr.
Gaither M. Keener, Jr.
Senior Vice President, General Counsel,
Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer

Title

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement has been signed on May 29, 2009 by the following persons in the capacities indicated. Each of the undersigned directors and officers of the Company, by his or her execution hereof, hereby constitutes and appoints Gaither M. Keener, Jr., Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer, Lowe s Companies, Inc., and Robert F. Hull, Jr., Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Lowe s Companies, Inc., and each of them, with full power of substitution, as his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, to do any and all acts and things for him or her, and in his or her name, place and stead, to execute and sign any and all additional post-effective amendments to such Registration Statement and any additional registration statement pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, and file the same, together with all exhibits and schedules thereto and all other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission and with such state securities authorities as may be appropriate, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully and to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, and hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts of said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, which they may lawfully do in the premises or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

/s/ Robert A. Niblock

Robert A. Niblock

/s/ Robert F. Hull, Jr.

Robert F. Hull, Jr.

/s/ Matthew V. Hollifield

/s/ David W. Bernauer

Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

Director

Director

Director

Signature

/s/ Leonard L. Berry, Ph.D.

Leonard L. Berry, Ph.D.

/s/ Peter C. Browning Director

Peter C. Browning

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Director

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Signature Title /s/ Dawn E. Hudson Director Dawn E. Hudson /s/ Robert A. Ingram Director Robert A. Ingram /s/ Robert L. Johnson Director Robert L. Johnson /s/ Marshall O. Larsen Director Marshall O. Larsen /s/ Richard K. Lochridge Director Richard K. Lochridge /s/ Stephen F. Page Director

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/s/ O. Temple Sloan, Jr.

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