

DIRECT GENERAL CORP

Form 4

February 14, 2005

FORM 4
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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ADAIR TAMMY R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1281 MURFREESBORO ROAD

(Street)

NASHVILLE, TN 37217

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

DIRECT GENERAL CORP [DRCT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

02/10/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____X____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	02/10/2005		M	18,000 A \$ 21	135,580	D	
Common Stock					400,000	I	By Shares Held By Ltd Partnership (1)
Common Stock					4,323,149	I	By Trust (2)

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

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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21	02/10/2005		M		18,000		08/11/2004	08/11/2013	Common Stock	18,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ADAIR TAMMY R 1281 MURFREESBORO ROAD NASHVILLE, TN 37217		X	Executive Vice President	

Signatures

By: Matthew P. McClure,
Attorney-In-Fact

02/14/2005

__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) These shares are owned directly by TA Investments, LP and indirectly by Tammy R. Adair, as general partner of the limited partnership.
- (2) These shares are owned directly by the William C. Adair, Jr. Trust, a ten percent owner of the issuer, and indirectly by Tammy R. Adair, as trustee of the trust.

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