LOWES COMPANIES INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NIBLOCK ROBERT A			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	(energian approacts)		
1000 LOWE'S	BOULEVA	ARD	(Month/Day/Year) 06/17/2005	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, CEO and President		
	(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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		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	06/17/2005		M	8,888	A	\$ 22.5	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005		M	100	A	\$ 22.5	27,866.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005		S	100	D	\$ 59.48	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005		M	6,700	A	\$ 22.5	34,466.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005		S	6,700	D	\$ 59.49	27,766.372	D	

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Common Stock	06/17/2005	M	21,700	A	\$ 22.5	49,466.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	S	21,700	D	\$ 59.5	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	M	200	A	\$ 22.5	27,966.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	S	200	D	\$ 59.51	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	M	5,400	A	\$ 22.5	33,166.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	S	5,400	D	\$ 59.52	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	M	600	A	\$ 22.5	28,366.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	S	600	D	\$ 59.53	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	M	3,612	A	\$ 22.5	31,378.372	D	
Common Stock	06/17/2005	S	3,612	D	\$ 59.55	27,766.372	D	
Common Stock						400	I	by Son-1
Common Stock						400	I	by Son-2
Common Stock						20,015.399	I	by Spouse

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)		Title

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					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Am or Nu of S
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	8,888	<u>(1)</u>	12/03/2005	Common Stock	8,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	100	12/04/1999	12/03/2005	Common Stock	1
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	6,700	12/04/1999	12/03/2005	Common Stock	6,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	21,700	(2)	12/03/2005	Common Stock	21
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	200	12/04/2001	12/03/2005	Common Stock	2
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	5,400	12/04/2001	12/03/2005	Common Stock	5,
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	600	12/04/2001	12/03/2005	Common Stock	ϵ
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.5	06/17/2005	M	3,612	12/04/2001	12/03/2005	Common Stock	3,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
FS	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
NIBLOCK ROBERT A 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117	X		Chairman, CEO and President			

Signatures

By: Janet Bernard For: Robert A. Niblock	06/20/2005
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- * 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) 4,444 of the 8,888 incentive stock options became exercisable on 12/4/00, and 4,444 became exercisable on 12/4/01.
- (2) 8,838 of the 21,700 non-qualified stock options became exercisable on 12/4/99. 11,338 became exercisable on 12/4/00, and 1,524 became exercisable on 12/4/01.

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