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Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940								n			
(Print or Type I	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Saura Janet M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LOWES COMPANIES INC [LOW]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		AC 11				NC [I	LOWJ	(Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)03/01/2012					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP, Dep Gen Cnsl, Asst Secy			
Filed(M				nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
MOORESV	TILLE, NC 2811	/						Person		porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) 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) (A) or			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	03/01/2012			F	360 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 28.38	13,698	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2012			F	1,265 (2)	D	\$ 28.38	12,433	D		
Common Stock	03/01/2012			А	4,000 (3)	А	\$0	16,433	D		

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day	ate	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)	\$ 28.38	03/01/2012		А	17,000	<u>(4)</u>	03/01/2019	Common Stock	17,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Saura Janet M 1000 LOWE'S BOULEVARD MOORESVILLE, NC 28117			SVP, Dep Gen Cnsl, Asst Secy		
Signatures					

Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Felton by power of attorney For: Janet M. Saura

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2007.
- (2) Reflects shares delivered by reporting person to satisfy withholding taxes due upon vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2009.
- (3) Restricted stock granted pursuant to 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The shares will fully vest on March 1, 2015.
- (4) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on March 1, 2013.

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Date