

CAVANAUGH ROBERT B  
Form 4  
March 16, 2010

**FORM 4**

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

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CAVANAUGH ROBERT B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY,  
INC., 6501 LEGACY DRIVE

(Street)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/12/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)       | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Common<br>Stock of 50<br>cents Par<br>Value | 03/12/2010                              |   | F                                       | 806 <sup>(1)</sup> D  | \$ 21,908.915<br>30.56 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock of 50<br>cents Par<br>Value |   |   |   |   | 5,877 <sup>(3)</sup>   | I  | By Trustee<br>of 401(k)                 |

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. 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships                    |
|--|----------------------------------|
|  | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| CAVANAUGH ROBERT B<br>C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC.<br>6501 LEGACY DRIVE<br>PLANO, TX 75024 | EVP, Chief Financial Officer     |

## Signatures

\*\*\* /s/ Salil R. Virkar, attorney  
in fact 03/16/2010

\_\_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) Represents shares used to satisfy tax withholding obligation upon vesting of restricted stock units granted under the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan.
- (2) Includes 169,697 restricted stock units acquired since March 22, 2009 pursuant to dividend equivalents on restricted stock unit awards. Dividend equivalents on restricted stock unit awards accrue on a quarterly basis, exempt under Rule 16a-11.
- (3) Represents equivalent shares based on units of participation in the JCPenney stock fund allocated to Mr. Cavanaugh's account in the Company's 401(k) plan as of March 1, 2010. The shares of JCPenney common stock in the fund are held by the trustee of the 401(k) plan. Changes in the amount of securities beneficially owned reflect changes in the value of the fund, the number of units of participation in the fund held by all participants, and the number of units of participation held by Mr. Cavanaugh.

### Remarks:

\*\*\*Under Power of attorney as filed herewith.

Exhibit List:

Exhibit No. 24 Power of Attorney (POA)

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