

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

Form 4

February 16, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HARTSHORN TOM J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 MISSION RIDGE

(Street)

GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP [DG]

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

02/14/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Executive VP

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|---|------------------------|--|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|-----------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock | <u>(1)</u> | 02/14/2005 | A | | 1,183.918 | | <u>(2)</u> | <u>(2)</u> | Common Stock | 1,183.91 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HARTSHORN TOM J 100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072 | | | Executive VP | |

Signatures

/s/ Susan S. Lanigan, by Power of Attorney
02/16/2005

 **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) The shares of phantom stock are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock (and cash in lieu of fractional shares) after the reporting person's termination of employment.
- 13.409 shares, 13.444 shares and 19.358 shares of phantom stock were acquired by the reporting person on April 23, 2004, July 29, 2004 and October 25, 2004, respectively, pursuant to automatic dividend reinvestments that were exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (3)

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