DREILING RICHARD W

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DREILING RICHARD W

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP [DG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

10% Owner

100 MISSION RIDGE

(Month/Day/Year)

03/20/2012

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman & CEO

(Check all applicable)

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.25	03/20/2012		A		228,226		<u>(1)</u>	03/20/2022	Common Stock	228,2
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.9975	03/21/2012		A		142,857		03/21/2012	07/06/2017	Common Stock	142,8

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
DREILING RICHARD W 100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072	X		Chairman & CEO					

Signatures

/s/ Susan S. Lanigan, Attorney-in-Fact

03/22/2012

**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 option vests in four annual installments of 25% beginning on March 20, 2013.
 - On January 21, 2008, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 714,285 shares of common stock scheduled to vest in installments of 20% per year based on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for each of the 2007 through 2011 fiscal
- years. The performance criteria for each such fiscal year was met, resulting in in the vesting of the option as to 142,857 shares relating to each such year. The number of securities reported in this column includes all such options which remain unexercised as well as all options, whether or not vested, that are subject to time-vesting criteria but have the same exercise price and expiration date as the options reported herein as acquired.

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