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CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 13, 2001

Dollar General Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Tennessee 001-11421 61-0502302

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.)

100 Mission Ridge Goodlettsville, Tennessee 37072

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (615) 855-4000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On Ju1y 12, Dollar General Corporation (the "Company") issued a news release with respect to June sales results, year-to-date new store openings, July sales expectations, and sales and new store opening expectations for the second quarter ending August 3, 2001. Information regarding unaudited category sales and unaudited customer transactions for the five-weeks ending July 6, 2001 were also disclosed. Copies of the news release and the data regarding unaudited sales and customer transactions are incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2. The Company is filing this 8-K pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Regulation FD.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

DOLLAR GENERAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

July 13, 2001

By: /s/ Larry K. Wilcher

Larry K. Wilcher General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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Exhibit No. Item

99.1 News Release issued by Dollar General Corporation dated July 12, 2001

99.2 Dollar General Corporation unaudited category sales and unaudited customer transactions

Exhibit 99.1

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DOLLAR GENERAL REPORTS INCREASED JUNE SALES

GOODLETTSVILLE, Tenn. - July 12, 2001 - Dollar General Corporation (NYSE: DG) today reported total retail sales for the five-week fiscal period ended July 6, 2001, equaled \$473.8 million compared with \$386.8 million for the five-week period ended June 30, 2000, an increase of 22.5 percent. Due to the Company's 53-week fiscal year in 2000, the Company's fiscal and calendar periods in 2001 do not coincide. For the five-week calendar period ended July 6, 2001, total sales increased 20.5 percent and same-store sales increased 8.4 percent compared with a 2.2 percent decrease in same-store sales for the five-week period ended July 7, 2000.

For the nine-week fiscal period ended July 6, 2001, Dollar General total retail sales increased 20.9 percent to \$849.3 million from \$702.2 million for the nine-week period ended June 30, 2000. For the nine-week calendar period ended July 6, 2001, total sales increased 20.6 percent and same-store sales increased 8.4 percent compared with a 3.0 percent decrease in same-store sales for the nine-week period ended July 7, 2000. Quarter-to-date, the Company has opened 90 new stores and closed three stores.

For the 22-week fiscal period ended July 6, 2001, Dollar General total retail sales increased 20.7 percent to \$2.1 billion from \$1.7 billion for the 22-week period ended June 30, 2000. For the 22-week calendar period ended July 6, 2001, total sales increased 20.2 percent and same-store sales increased 7.5 percent compared with a 0.7 percent increase in same-store sales for the 22-week period ended July 7, 2000. Year-to-date, the Company has opened 307 new stores and closed 20 stores.

Sales Outlook:

For the four-week fiscal period of July ending August 3, 2001, the Company expects total sales to increase 19-20 percent compared with total sales for the four-week period ended July 28, 2000. For the four-week calendar period, same-store sales are expected to increase 6-8 percent compared with a 0.5 percent increase in same-store sales for the four-week period ended August 4, 2000. July sales results will be released on Thursday, August 9, 2001.

For the second quarter ending August 3, 2001, total company sales are expected to increase 19-21 percent compared with total sales for the quarter ended July 28, 2000. For the 13-week calendar period ending August 3, 2001, same-store sales are expected to increase 7-9 percent compared with a 1.9 percent decrease in same-store sales for the 13-week period ended August 4, 2000. For the quarter, the Company expects to open 150-175 new stores and close 5-10 stores. For the full year, the Company expects to open 600-700 new stores and close 50-60 stores.

Weekly sales trends are announced on Mondays after the market closes and can be attained online at www.dollargeneral.com or by calling (615) 855-5529.

Dollar General operates more than 5,200 neighborhood stores in 27 states.

This press release contains historical and forward-looking information. The forward-looking statements are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. The Company believes the assumptions underlying these forward-looking statements are reasonable; however, any of the assumptions could be inaccurate, and therefore, actual results may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements. The factors that may result in actual results differing from such forward-looking information include, but are not limited to: the Company's ability to maintain adequate liquidity through its cash resources and credit facilities; the Company's ability to comply with the terms of the Company's credit facilities (or obtain waivers for non-compliance), including with respect to the timely delivery of the Company's financial statements; general transportation and distribution delays or interruptions; inventory risks due to shifts in market demand; changes in product mix; interruptions in suppliers' businesses; fuel price and interest rate fluctuations; temporary changes in demand due to weather patterns; delays associated with building, opening and operating new stores; the results of the Company's on-going restatement and audit process; and the impact of the litigation and any regulatory proceedings related to such restatements. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly release any revisions to any forward-looking statements contained herein to reflect events or circumstances occurring after the date of this report or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

DOLLAR GENERAL CORPORATION UNAUDITED CATEGORY SALES For the Five Week Calendar Period

		For the Five Weeks Ended	
	Same-Stores	July 6, 2001	July 7, 2000
	% Chg	Sales Mix	Sales Mix
Highly Consumable	13%	61%	59%
Hardware and Seasonal	18%	15%	14%
Basic Clothing	-1%	11%	12%
Home Products	-9%	13%	16%
TOTAL	8.4%	100%	100%
Hardlines	12%	86%	84%
Softlines	-8%	14%	16%
TOTAL	8.4%	100%	100%

DOLLAR GENERAL CORPORATION UNAUDITED CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS For the Five-Week Calendar Period

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