

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

Reported by WIRE WILLIAM S

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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GOODLETTSVILLE, TN, 37072

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SIC Code 5331 - Retail-Variety Stores

Industry Discount Stores

Sector Consumer Cyclicals

Fiscal Year 02/02

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wire, II William S.	III .			Trading Symbol Corporation (De	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 Mission Ridge	3. I.R.S. Id Number of Person, if a (voluntary)	Reporting in entity	4. Sta	ttement for Month/Day/\dagger March 13, 200		[X] Director [_] 10% Owner [] Officer (give [_] Other (specify title below) below)					
(Street) Goodlettsville, TN 37072			- 11	Amendment, Date of Ori hth/Day/Year)	ginal	(Check A [X] Form	ual or Joint/Group pplicable Line) filed by One Repo filed by More than	rting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table	I - No	n-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficial Owned						Beneficially		
(Instr. 3) 2. Transaction	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transac Code (Instr. 8)	ction	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
	(mm/dd/yy)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)			

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	Date Deemed Execution Date, if any (mm/dd/yy) (mm/dd/yy)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (mm/dd/yy)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form of Derivative	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$10.48	03/13/03		A		5,726		03/13/04	03/13/13	Common Stock	5,726		5,726	D	

^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See	/s/ Susan S. Lanigan	3/17/03
18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).		Date
	**Signature of Reporting Person	
	Attorney-in-Fact	

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