

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

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RICHARDS PHIL

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

Filed 10/12/99 for the Period Ending 09/30/99

Address	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN, 37072
Telephone	6158554000
CIK	0000029534
Symbol	DG
SIC Code	5331 - Retail-Variety Stores
Industry	Discount Stores
Sector	Consumer Cyclical
Fiscal Year	02/02

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Address	100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, Tennessee 37072
Telephone	615-855-4000
CIK	0000029534
Industry	Retail (Specialty)
Sector	Services
Fiscal Year	01/31

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
(X) Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
RICHARDS, PHIL 104 WOODMONT BLVD SUITE 300 NASHVILLE, TN 37205
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DOLLAR GENERAL CORPORATION

DG

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year 09/99

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) () Director () 10% Owner () Officer (give title below) (X) Other (specify below) FORMER OFFICER

7. 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 Security	2. Transaction	3. Date	4. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5. Amount	6. Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
COMMON STOCK								59911	D

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Amount	7. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10. Nature of Indirect or Beneficial Ownership
STOCK OPTION	9.0522					04/01/2000	COMMON STOCK	83782	83782	D
STOCK OPTION	9.0522					04/01/2000	COMMON STOCK	41887	41887	D
STOCK OPTION	14.028					04/01/2000	COMMON STOCK	31418	31418	D

Explanation of Responses:
SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/S/ BOB CARPENTER FOR P. RICHARDS

DATE
10-7-99

End of Filing

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