

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP

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BUFFINGTON MELISSA

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
BUFFINGTON MELISSA			DOLLAR GENERAL CORP [DG]			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
			6/6/2003			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	6/6/2003		M		28399	A	\$15.94	28399 (U)	D	
Common Stock	6/6/2003		S		28399	D	\$18.26	0 (U)	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$15.94	6/6/2003		M		28399		7/29/2002	1/28/2012	Common Stock	28399	0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) As of the most recent statement date (March 31, 2003), the Reporting Person also beneficially owns the following shares of Dollar General common stock indirectly: 386.699 shares in the Dollar General Corporation 401(k) Savings and Retirement Plan; and 515.04 shares in the Dollar General Corporation Compensation Deferral Plan.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BUFFINGTON MELISSA,			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

Susan S. Lanigan, by Power of Attorney

6/10/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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