

J C PENNEY CO INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ALCORN WILLIAM J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC., 6501 LEGACY DRIVE

(Street)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/20/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
SVP, Controller / Chief Procurement Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock of 50 cent Par Value				(A) or (D)	Amount (D) Price		
					5,908	D	
Common Stock of 50 cent Par Value					10,171.732	I	By Trustee of 401(k) (1)

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Mirror Savings Plan	(2)					(2)	(2)	Common Stock	290,861
Options/ Right to Buy/ Grant	\$ 16	05/20/2005		S	1,875	02/28/2002	02/27/2010	Common Stock	1,875
Options/ Right to Buy/ Grant	\$ 19.54	05/20/2005		S	14,000	02/24/2004	02/23/2013	Common Stock	14,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ALCORN WILLIAM J C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. 6501 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TX 75024			SVP, Controller	Chief Procurement Officer

Signatures

Ralph H. Richardson*** 05/24/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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Equivalent shares based on units of JCPenney stock held by trustee of 401(k) plan, and assigned to my account, as of April 30, 2005, pursuant to plan. Differences in totals reported since last Form 4 or Form 5 represent units acquired by trustee since then in the ordinary course of plan's administration and reflects adjustments made to all equivalent shares in plan, divided among accounts of all participants in plan, all exempt under Rule 16b-3.

- (2) Equivalent shares based on units credited under the Company's Mirror Savings Plan I, II, III.

Remarks:

***By continuing POA as filed with the S.E.C.

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