O BRIANT STONIE R

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

O BRIANT STONIE R

(First) (Middle)

100 MISSION RIDGE

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DOLLAR GENERAL CORP [DG]

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

01/26/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities

Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Owned Following Reported (A) Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4.

Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

below) **Executive Vice President**

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Director

Applicable Line)

_X__ Officer (give title

response...

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	01/26/2005		A	238.725		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	238.725	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

O BRIANT STONIE R Executive 100 MISSION RIDGE Vice GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072 President

Signatures

/s/ Susan S. Lanigan, by Power of Attorney 01/27/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The shares of phantom stock are convertible into shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock (and cash in lieu of fractional shares) upon the reporting person's termination of employment.
- (3) 153.603 shares of phantom stock were acquired by the reporting person on January 26, 2005 pursuant to an automatic dividend reimbursement that was exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 16a-11.

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