

J C PENNEY CO INC

Form 4

March 16, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HICKS KEN C

(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)
03/14/2007

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) below)

Pres./Chief Merch. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ 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 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock of 50 cent Par Value	03/14/2007		A	19,108 (1)	A \$ 0 71,061	D	
Common Stock of 50 cent Par Value					1,102.1444	I	By Trustee of 401(k) (2)

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
Employee stock option / Right to Buy	\$ 78.5	03/14/2007		A		75,567	(3)	(3)	03/13/2017	Common Stock	75,567

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HICKS KEN C C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. 6501 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TX 75024	Pres./Chief Merch. Officer

Signatures

*** /s/ Salil R. Virkar, attorney
in fact 03/16/2007

__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) Represents restricted stock units granted under the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan. The restricted stock units will vest 50% on March 14, 2010, 25% on March 14, 2011 and 25% on March 14, 2012.
- Represents equivalent shares based on units of participation in the JCPenney stock fund allocated to Mr. Hicks' account in the Company's 401(k) plan, as of February 28, 2007. The shares of JCPenney common stock in the fund are held by the trustee of the 401(k) plan.
- (2) Changes in the amount of securities beneficially owned reflect changes in the value of the fund, the number of units of participation in the fund held by all participants, and the number of units of participation held by Mr. Hicks.
- (3) Represents grant of employee stock options under the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan which vest one-third on March 14, 2008, one-third on March 14, 2009, and one-third on March 14, 2010.

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- (4) Represents current grant of stock options. Including the reported grant, Mr. Hicks beneficially owns an aggregate of 267,775 stock options at various exercise prices.

Remarks:

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

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