

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/
 Form 4
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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 *
CODY THOMAS G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC., 7 WEST SEVENTH STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/29/2007

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
Vice Chair

(Street)
CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | | M | | 65,000 | A | \$ 14.285 |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | | S | | 900 | D | \$ 44.89 |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | | S | | 3,100 | D | \$ 44.9 |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | | S | | 300 | D | \$ 44.91 |
| | 03/29/2007 | | S | | 700 | D | \$ 44.92 |

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|--------------|------------|---|--------|---|----------|---------|---|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 2,100 | D | \$ 44.94 | 110,806 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,900 | D | \$ 44.95 | 108,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 44.96 | 107,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 44.97 | 106,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 44.99 | 105,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,000 | D | \$ 45 | 104,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 2,100 | D | \$ 45.01 | 102,806 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 3,200 | D | \$ 45.02 | 99,606 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 3,900 | D | \$ 45.03 | 95,706 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 2,100 | D | \$ 45.04 | 93,606 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 4,300 | D | \$ 45.05 | 89,306 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 5,100 | D | \$ 45.06 | 84,206 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 300 | D | \$ 45.07 | 83,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 10,800 | D | \$ 45.1 | 73,106 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 2,500 | D | \$ 45.11 | 70,606 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 8,400 | D | \$ 45.12 | 62,206 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,700 | D | \$ 45.13 | 60,506 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 600 | D | \$ 45.14 | 59,906 | D |
| Common Stock | 03/29/2007 | S | 5,800 | D | \$ 45.15 | 51,406 | D |
| | 03/29/2007 | S | 1,200 | D | \$ 45.16 | 52,906 | D |

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) Reflects matching contributions under the Issuer's 401(k) plan, derived by dividing the value of the undivided interest of the reporting person in the applicable investment fund as of March 29, 2007 by \$45.36, the stock price of such date.
- (2) This option was previously reported as covering a total of 65,000 shares at an exercise price of \$28.57, but was adjusted to reflect the Issuer's stock split that occurred on June 9, 2006.
- (3) Options became exercisable as follows: 32,500 on March 28, 2006 and 32,500 on March 28, 2007.

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