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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Davis Jeffrey A.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2017

(Check all applicable)

_ Director _____ 10% Owner

below)

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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

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

Α

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X_ Officer (give title

Applicable Line)

below)

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

PLANO, TX 75024

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect
Beneficially (D) or Beneficial
Owned Indirect (I) Ownership
Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)
Reported

(A)
or
de V Amount (D)

Transaction(s)
Price (Instr. 3 and 4)

22,645

Common

07/27/2017

D

cents Par Value

Stock of 50

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Employee stock option/Right	\$ 5.52	07/27/2017		A	46,125 (2)	(2)	07/26/2027	Common Stock	46,12

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

PLANO, TX 75024

*** /s/ David A. Shipley, attorney o7/28/2017

**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 2016 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (2) Represents grant of employee stock options under the Company's 2016 Long-Term Incentive Plan, which vest one-third on July 27, 2018, one-third on July 27, 2019 and one-third on July 27, 2020.

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