

FOTHERGILL JAMES E  
 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 \*  
**FOTHERGILL JAMES E**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DOLLAR TREE STORES INC  
 [DLTR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**500 VOLVO PARKWAY**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**11/10/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Chief People Officer**

**CHESAPEAKE, VA 23320**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	11/10/2005		M <sup>(1)</sup>	4,500 A \$ 17	5,041	D	
Common Stock	11/10/2005		S <sup>(1)</sup>	4,500 D \$ 23.89	541	D	

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17	11/10/2005		M <sup>(1)</sup>	4,500	03/20/2002 <sup>(2)</sup> 03/20/2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	4,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FOTHERGILL JAMES E 500 VOLVO PARKWAY CHESAPEAKE, VA 23320			Chief People Officer	

## Signatures

Frederick C. Coble,  
attorney-in-fact  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

11/14/2005  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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) Pre-planned trades under SEC Rule 10b5-1(c)(1).
- (2) Stock options become exercisable in 5 approximately equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to continued employment.
- (3) Expires upon termination, with certain grace periods, or ten years after award, whichever is less.

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