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SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Theilmann Michael T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle) J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

06/01/2005

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

EVP, Chief HR & Admin. Officer

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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

Person

below)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	n(A) or Disposed of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					Reported		

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

Stock of 50 06/01/2005 cent Par

17,971 Α

(1)

(1) 17,971

D

Common

Value

Value

Stock of 50 06/01/2005 cent Par

29,952 A (2)

29,952

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)

Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	SA. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
	Derivative Security				or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Grant / Options / Right to	\$ 50.28	06/01/2005		A	70,000	06/01/2006(3)	05/31/2015	Common Stock	70,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Theilmann Michael T C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. 6501 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TX 75024

EVP, Chief HR & Admin. Officer

Signatures

Ralph H.

Buy

Richardson*** 06/02/2005

**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) Grant of restricted stock units from the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan. 50% of units will vest on June 1, 2015. 25% of units will vest on June 1, 2020 and June 1, 2025, respectively.
- (2) Grant of restricted stock units from the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan. 33.3% of units will vest on June 1, 2006, June 1, 2007 and June 1, 2008, respectively.
- (3) Grant of stock option from the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan. 33.3% of units will vest on June 1, 2006, June 1, 2007 and June 1, 2008, respectively.

Remarks:

Reporting Owners 2

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***Under POA as filed as Exhibit 24 hereto

Exhibit List: Exhibit No.24

Description : Power of Attorney (POA)

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