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TJX COMPANIES INC /DE/ Form 8-K October 23, 2003

SECURITY AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(D) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): October 22, 2003

THE TJX COMPANIES, INC. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

DELAWARE 1-4908 44-220/613
(State or other jurisdiction (Common File (I.R.S. employer Number) identification No.)

770 Cochituate Road, Framingham, MA 01701 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(508) 390-1000

Registrant's Telephone Number (including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On October 22, 2003, The TJX Companies, Inc. announced that it signed an agreement to purchase substantially all of the assets, subject to certain liabilities, of Bob's Stores, Inc. and its subsidiaries pursuant to Sections 363 and 365 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

- FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS
- (c) EXHIBITS

Exhibit Number Title

99.1 Press Release, dated October 22, 2003 of The TJX Companies, Inc.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

THE TJX COMPANIES, INC.

/s/ Donald G. Campbell
----Donald G. Campbell
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 22, 2003

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