

Flanigan John W  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 Flanigan John W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 100 MISSION RIDGE  
 (Street)

GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 DOLLAR GENERAL CORP [DG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/20/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP, Global Supply Chain

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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 45.25	03/20/2012	A	37,440					(1)	03/20/2022	Common Stock	37,440
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.9975	03/21/2012	A	18,286					03/21/2012	08/28/2018	Common Stock	18,286
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.1975	03/21/2012	A	4,571					03/21/2012	05/28/2019	Common Stock	4,571
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.25	03/21/2012	A	12,440					03/21/2012	03/24/2020	Common Stock	12,440

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Flanigan John W 100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072			EVP, Global Supply Chain	

## Signatures

/s/ John Flanigan  
03/22/2012

\*\*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).

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- (1) The option vests in four annual installments of 25% beginning on March 20, 2013.

On August 28, 2008, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 91,428 shares of common stock scheduled to vest in installments of 13.333%, 20%, 20%, 20%, 20% and 6.667% based on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for each of the 2008 through 2013 fiscal years. The performance criteria for each of the 2008 through 2011 fiscal years was met, resulting in the vesting of the option as to 12,190, 18,286, 18,286 and 18,286 shares, respectively. The number of securities reported in this column includes the vested portion of such options that remain unexercised as well as options, whether or not vested, that are subject to time-vesting criteria but have the same exercise price and expiration date as the options reported herein as acquired.

- (2) On May 28, 2009, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 22,857 shares of common stock, with 3,048 shares underlying the option vested on such date and the remaining portion scheduled to vest in installments of 4,572, 4,571, 4,571, 4,571 and 1,524 shares based on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for each of the 2009 through 2013 fiscal years. The performance criteria for the 2009 through 2011 fiscal years was met, resulting in the vesting of the option as to 4,572, 4,571 and 4,571 shares, respectively. The number of securities reported in this column includes the vested portion of such options that remain unexercised as well as options, whether or not vested, that are subject to time-vesting criteria but have the same exercise price and expiration date as the options reported herein as acquired.

- (3) On March 24, 2010, the reporting person was granted an option to purchase 49,759 shares of common stock scheduled to vest in installments of 10,367, 12,440, 12,440, 12,439 and 2,073 shares, respectively, based on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for each of the 2010 through 2014 fiscal years. The performance criteria for each of the 2010 and 2011 fiscal years was met, resulting in the vesting of the option as to 10,367 and 12,440 shares, respectively. The number of securities reported in this column includes the vested portion of such options that remain unexercised as well as options, whether or not vested, that are subject to time-vesting criteria but have the same exercise price and expiration date as the options reported herein as acquired.

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