

J C PENNEY CO INC
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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 *
 Dhillon Janet

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/16/2010

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, General Counsel and Sec.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Stock of 50 cents Par Value	03/16/2010		A	7,731 (1)	A \$ 0 22,558.559 (2)	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)
Employee stock option/Right to Buy	\$ 30.72	03/16/2010		A	52,544 (3)	(3) 03/15/2020	Common Stock 52,544

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Dhillon Janet C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. 6501 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TX 75024			EVP, General Counsel and Sec.	

Signatures

*** /s/ Salil R. Virkar, attorney
in fact 03/18/2010

__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 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units will vest one-third on March 16, 2011, one-third on March 16, 2012 and one-third on March 16, 2013.
- (2) Includes 297,559 restricted stock units acquired since May 19, 2009 pursuant to dividend equivalents on restricted stock unit awards. Dividend equivalents on restricted stock unit awards accrue on a quarterly basis, exempt under Rule 16a-11.
- (3) Represents grant of employee stock options under the Company's 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vest one-third on March 16, 2011, one-third on March 16, 2012, and one-third on March 16, 2013.
- (4) Represents current grant of stock options. Including the reported grant, Ms. Dhillon beneficially owns an aggregate of 116,340 stock options at various exercise prices.

Remarks:

***Under Power of Attorney as filed herewith.

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Exhibit List:

Exhibit No. 24 Power of Attorney (POA)

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