J C PENNEY CO INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Theilmann Michael T Issuer Symbol J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, 03/15/2011 below) INC., 6501 LEGACY DRIVE Group Executive Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

PLANO, TX 75024							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securition(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock of 50 cents Par Value	03/15/2011		A	13,669 (1)	A	\$ 0	101,938.0185	D		
Common Stock of 50 cents Par Value							155.878 (2)	I	By Trustee of 401(k)	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Employee stock option/Right to Buy	\$ 36.58	03/15/2011		A	87,719 (3)	(3)	03/14/2021	Common Stock	87,71

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

Group Executive Vice President

Signatures

*** /s/ Salil R. Virkar, attorney in fact

03/17/2011

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 15, 2012, one-third on March 15, 2013 and one-third on March 15, 2014.
- Represents equivalent shares based on units of participation in the JCPenney stock fund allocated to Mr. Theilmann's account in the Company's 401(k) plan as of February 28, 2011. The shares of JCPenney common stock in the fund are held by the trustee of the 401(k) plan. Changes in the amount of securities beneficially owned reflect changes in the value of the fund, the number of units of participation in the fund held by all participants, and the number of units of participation held by Mr. Theilmann.
- (3) Represents grant of employee stock options under the Company's 2009 Long-Term Incentive Plan which vest one-third on March 15, 2012, one-third on March 15, 2014.
- (4) Represents current grant of stock options. Including the reported grant, Mr. Theilmann beneficially owns an aggregate of 641,913 stock options at various exercise prices.

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Remarks:

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