

DOLLAR TREE STORES INC  
Form 8-K  
December 16, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: December 16, 2003

Date of Earliest Event Reported: December 12, 2003

DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

COMMISSION FILE NUMBER: 0-25464

VIRGINIA  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

54-1387365  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

500 Volvo Parkway  
Chesapeake, VA 23320  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (757) 321-5000

**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On December 12, 2003, Dollar Tree Stores, Inc, announced in a press release the appointment of Thomas E. Whiddon to the Company's Board of Directors.

A copy of the press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by this reference.

The information contained in this item is being furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

SIGNATURES

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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.

DATE: December 16, 2003

DOLLAR TREE STORES, INC.

By: /s/ Frederick C. Coble

Frederick C. Coble  
Chief Financial Officer