

BIG LOTS INC  
Form 4  
March 15, 2007

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**COOPER JOE R**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 PHILLIPI ROAD

(Street)

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

**BIG LOTS INC [BIG]**

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

03/13/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Senior Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/13/2007		A	12,500	A \$ 0	37,242	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007		M	2,000	A \$ 11.98	39,242	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007		M	2,000	A \$ 10.85	41,242	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007		M	60,000	A \$ 14.28	101,242	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007		M	10,250	A \$ 12.66	111,492	D

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Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	800	D	\$ 29.84	110,692	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	300	D	\$ 29.85	110,392	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	2,500	D	\$ 29.86	107,892	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	3,600	D	\$ 29.87	104,292	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	4,000	D	\$ 29.88	100,292	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	11,050	D	\$ 29.89	89,242	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	40,900	D	\$ 29.9	48,342	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	2,000	D	\$ 29.91	46,342	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	500	D	\$ 29.92	45,842	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	6,100	D	\$ 29.93	39,742	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	2,300	D	\$ 29.94	37,442	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	100	D	\$ 29.95	37,342	D
Common Stock	03/14/2007	S	100	D	\$ 29.96	37,242	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 Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title

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Stock Purchase Option	\$ 28.73	03/13/2007	A	37,500	(1)	03/13/2014	Common Stock	3
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 11.98	03/14/2007	M	2,000	11/15/2005(2)	02/25/2012	Common Stock	2
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 10.85	03/14/2007	M	2,000	11/15/2005(2)	02/24/2013	Common Stock	2
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 14.28	03/14/2007	M	60,000	11/15/2005(2)	02/02/2014	Common Stock	6
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 12.66	03/14/2007	M	10,250	(3)	02/24/2013	Common Stock	1

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COOPER JOE R 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228			Senior Vice President & CFO	

## Signatures

Chadwick P. Reynolds, attorney in fact for Joe R. Cooper  
03/15/2007

\_\_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) The stock purchase option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 13, 2008.

(2) The date upon which the stock purchase option became fully exercisable.

(3) The stock purchase option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2007.

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