

DREILING RICHARD W
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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 *
DREILING RICHARD W

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/06/2011

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

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

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/06/2011		M		148,374	A	\$ 7.9975
Common Stock	12/06/2011		F		73,110.7783	D	\$ 39.63
Common Stock	12/06/2011		D		0.2217	D	\$ 39.63
							471,571
							398,460.2217
							398,460

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.9975	12/06/2011		M	148,374	<u>(1)</u>	07/06/2017	Common Stock	148,37

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DREILING RICHARD W 100 MISSION RIDGE GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Susan S. Lanigan,
Attorney-in-Fact
12/08/2011

**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 securities reported in column 5 vested as to 81,836 shares on March 19, 2009 and as to 66,538 shares on July 6, 2009.

The number of securities reported in this column represents (a) 504,890 options that are subject to time-vesting criteria, 362,033 of which are vested and the remainder of which are scheduled to vest on July 6, 2012; and (b) 285,714 options which vested after the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance-vesting criteria. The number of securities reported in this column does not include 142,857 options which are scheduled to vest on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria for the fiscal year ending February 3, 2012.

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