

DREILING RICHARD W  
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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 \*  
**DREILING RICHARD W**

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

GOODLETTSVILLE, TN 37072

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/08/2011

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)  
 Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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	09/08/2011		M		346,735	A	\$ 7.9975
Common Stock	09/08/2011		F		176,734.9035	D	\$ 35
Common Stock	09/08/2011		D		0.0965	D	\$ 35

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	09/08/2011		M	346,735	<u>(1)</u> 07/06/2017	Common Stock	346,735	

## 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  
Date: 09/09/2011

\*\*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 142,857 shares on March 20, 2008, 142,857 shares on July 6, 2008 and 61,021 shares on March 19, 2009.
- (2) The number of securities reported in this column represents (a) 571,428 options that are subject to time-vesting criteria, 428,571 of which are vested and the remainder of which are scheduled to vest on July 6, 2012; and (b) 367,550 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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