J C PENNEY CO INC

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CAVANAUGH ROBERT B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First) (Middle) J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC., 6501 LEGACY DRIVE

(Street)

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

03/14/2007

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

below) below) EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PLANO, TX 75024

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Employee stock 34,005 Common (1) 03/13/2017 03/14/2007 34,005 option / \$ 78.5 A (1) Stock Right to Buy

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CAVANAUGH ROBERT B C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. 6501 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TX 75024

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

*** /s/ Salil R. Virkar, attorney o3/16/2007 in fact

**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) Represents grant of employee stock options under the Company's 2005 Equity Compensation Plan which vest one-third on March 14, 2008, one-third on March 14, 2010.
- (2) Represents current grant of stock options. Including the reported grant, Mr. Cavanaugh beneficially owns an aggregate of 234,987 stock options at various exercise prices.

Remarks:

*** Under continuing POA as filed with the S.E.C.

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