COOPER JOE R Form 4

January 11, 2010

FORM 4

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

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

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

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

300 PHILLIPI ROAD

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BIG LOTS INC [BIG]

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

01/07/2010

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) _ Other (specify

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Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of	(D)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/07/2010		M	20,000	A	\$ 14.28	66,787	D	
Common Stock	01/07/2010		M	1,537	A	\$ 12.66	68,324	D	
Common Stock	01/07/2010		S(1)	21,537	D	\$ 29.803	46,787	D	
Common Stock	01/08/2010		M	8,713	A	\$ 12.66	55,500	D	
Common Stock	01/08/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	19,250	D	\$ 29.811	36,250	D	

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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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab 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	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 14.28	01/07/2010		M	20,000	11/15/2005 <u>(4)</u>	02/02/2014	Common Stock	20,00
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 12.66	01/07/2010		M	1,537	<u>(5)</u>	02/24/2013	Common Stock	1,537
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 12.66	01/08/2010		M	8,713	<u>(5)</u>	02/24/2013	Common Stock	8,713

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
COOPER JOE R 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228			Senior Vice President				
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Signatures

Chadwick P. Reynolds, attorney in fact for Joe R.

Cooper

01/11/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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 sales reported in this Form 4 were made pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1.
- The value represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on the corresponding line. The actual sales prices for the transactions reported on the corresponding line ranged from \$29.80 to \$29.81. The reporting person undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- The value represents the weighted average sale price for the transactions reported on the corresponding line. The actual sales prices for the transactions reported on the corresponding line ranged from \$29.80 to \$29.855. The reporting person undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) The date upon which the Stock Purchase Option became fully exercisable.
- (5) This Stock Purchase Option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2007.

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