LOWES COMPANIES INC Form POS AM September 19, 2008

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Registration No. 333-60434

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
POST EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 8 TO
FORM S-3
REGISTRATION STATEMENT
UNDER
THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

Lowe s Companies, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

North Carolina 56-0578072

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1000 Lowe s Boulevard Mooresville, North Carolina

28117

(Zip Code)

Mooresville, North Carolina
(Address of principal executive offices)

Gaither M. Keener, Jr. Esq.
Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary
and Chief Compliance Officer
Lowe s Companies, Inc.
1000 Lowe s Boulevard
Mooresville, North Carolina 28117

(Name and address of agent for service) (704) 758-2250

(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copy to:

Dumont Clarke, IV Moore & Van Allen PLLC 100 North Tryon Street, Suite 4700 Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-4003 (704) 331-1051

Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: Not Applicable

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box: o

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box: o

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering. o \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If this Form is a post-effect	ive amendment filed pursuant	t to Rule 462(c) under the	Securities Act, check the
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for the same offering. o			-
If this Form is a registration	n statement pursuant to Gener	al Instruction I.D. or a pos	st-effective amendment thereto
that shall become effective upo	on filing with the Commission	n pursuant to Rule 462(e)	under the Securities Act, check
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Act, check the following box.	o		
Indicate by check mark who	ether the registrant is a large a	accelerated filer, an accele	rated filer, a non-accelerated
filer, or a smaller reporting con	mpany. See the definitions of	large accelerated filer,	accelerated filer and smaller
reporting company in Rule 12	2b2 of the Exchange Act.		
x Large accelerated filer	o Accelerated filer	o Non-accelerated filer	o Smaller reporting company

### **DEREGISTRATION OF SECURITIES**

An aggregate principal amount of \$1,005,000,000 of the Registrant s Liquid Yield Option Notes due 2021 (the LYONs ) and 33,060,480 shares (as adjusted for a 2-for-1 stock split effective July 3, 2006) of the Registrant s common stock (the Shares ) issuable upon conversion of the LYONs were registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, by the filing of a Registration Statement on Form S-3, (File No. 333-60434) (as amended, the Registration Statement ).

Pursuant to the undertakings in Item 17 of the Registration Statement, the purpose of this post-effective amendment is to deregister the remaining 616,501 Shares that were unissued upon conversion of LYONS as of June 30, 2008, the date on which the Registrant redeemed all of the remaining outstanding LYONs and the offering of such 616,501 Shares terminated.

#### Part II. Information Not Required in Prospectus

#### Item 16. Exhibit

The following is a list of all exhibits filed as a part of this post-effective amendment to registration statement on Form S-3.

## **Exhibit Number Description of Exhibits**

24.1 Powers of Attorney (included on signature page hereto)

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Mooresville, State of North Carolina, on September 19, 2008.

### LOWE S COMPANIES, INC.

By: /s/ Gaither M. Keener, Jr.

Gaither M. Keener, Jr. Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Secretary and Chief Compliance Officer

#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints each of Gaither M. Keener, Jr. and Matthew V. Hollifield severally, his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as any of them might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his substitutes or substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Robert A. Niblock	Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	September 19, 2008
Robert A. Niblock	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
/s/ Robert F. Hull, Jr.	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)	September 19, 2008
Robert F. Hull, Jr.	•	
/s/ Matthew V. Hollifield	Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer	September 19, 2008
Matthew V. Hollifield		
/s/ Leonard L. Berry, Ph.D.	Director	September 19, 2008

# Leonard L. Berry, Ph.D.

/s/ Peter C. Browning	Director	September 19, 2008
Peter C. Browning /s/ David W. Bernauer	Director	September 19, 2008
<b>David W. Bernauer</b> /s/ Dawn E. Hudson	Director	September 19, 2008
<b>Dawn E. Hudson</b> /s/ Robert A. Ingram	Director	September 19, 2008
Robert A. Ingram /s/ Robert L. Johnson	Director	September 19, 2008
Robert L. Johnson /s/ Marshall O. Larsen	Director	September 19, 2008
Marshall O. Larsen /s/ Richard K. Lochridge	Director	September 19, 2008
Richard K. Lochridge /s/ Stephen F. Page	Director	September 19,
Stephen F. Page /s/ O. Temple Sloan, Jr.	Director	2008 September 19,
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# **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No. Description 24.1

Powers of Attorney (included on signature page hereto)