

COOPER JOE R
Form 4
March 08, 2012

FORM 4

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

Check this box
if no longer
subject to
Section 16.
Form 4 or
Form 5
obligations
may continue.
See Instruction
1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

OMB APPROVAL

OMB
Number: 3235-0287
Expires: January 31,
2005
Estimated average
burden hours per
response... 0.5

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 PHILLIPI ROAD

(Street)

COLUMBUS, OH 43228

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BIG LOTS INC [BIG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/06/2012

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 below) ____ Other (specify
below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
Common Stock	03/06/2012		A	30,000	A \$ 0	85,000	D
Common Stock	03/07/2012		M	7,375	A \$ 21.06	92,375	D
Common Stock	03/07/2012		M	37,500	A \$ 28.73	129,875	D
Common Stock	03/07/2012		S	44,875	D \$ 44.76 (1)	85,000	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1474
(9-02)

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 43.85	03/06/2012		A		40,000		<u>(2)</u>	03/06/2019	Common Stock	40,000
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 21.06	03/07/2012		M		7,375		<u>(3)</u>	03/07/2015	Common Shares	7,375
Stock Purchase Option	\$ 28.73	03/07/2012		M		37,500		03/13/2011 <u>(4)</u>	03/13/2014	Common Stock	37,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
COOPER JOE R 300 PHILLIPI ROAD COLUMBUS, OH 43228	Executive Vice President

Signatures

Joseph Y. Heuer, Attorney-in-fact for Joe R.
Cooper 03/08/2012

**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 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 \$44.75 to \$44.80. 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.

Edgar Filing: COOPER JOE R - Form 4

- (2) The Stock Purchase Option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 6, 2013.
- (3) The Stock Purchase Option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 7, 2009.
- (4) The date upon which this Stock Purchase Option became fully exercisable.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.