

HOME DEPOT INC
Form 8-K
March 23, 2005

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): March 23, 2005

THE HOME DEPOT, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	1-8207	95-3261426
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

2455 Paces Ferry Road, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30339

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(770) 433-8211

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On March 23, 2005, the Leadership Development and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of The Home Depot, Inc. (the Company) approved Forms of Deferred Share Awards for the Company's U. S. officers, its Canadian officers and its outside directors. These forms will be used to evidence grants of deferred shares made under the Company's 1997 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan. The full text of the forms of each award is attached hereto as Exhibits 10.1, 10.2 and 10.3 and is incorporated herein by reference. The foregoing summary is qualified in its entirety by, and should be read in conjunction with, such exhibits.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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10.1	The Home Depot, Inc. Form of Deferred Share Award (U.S. Officers)
10.2	The Home Depot, Inc. Form of Deferred Share Award (Canada Officers)
10.3	The Home Depot, Inc. Form of Nonemployee Director Deferred Share Award

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE HOME DEPOT, INC.

By: /s/ Frank L. Fernandez

Name: Frank L. Fernandez

Title: Executive Vice President, Secretary
and General Counsel

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