Risch Therace Form 4 December 11, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Risch Therace

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

J C PENNEY CO INC [JCP]

(First) (Middle) (Last) C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY,

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

12/10/2017

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

EVP, Chief Information Officer

INC., 6501 LEGACY DRIVE (Street)

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

(A)

or

(D)

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Issuer

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

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Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

Common

Value

Stock of 50 12/10/2017 cents Par

6,399 F

Code V Amount

D 264,714

Price

D

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and		7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	٥		
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Amount of		Derivative	J
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					of (D)						(
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									Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Risch Therace C/O J. C. PENNEY COMPANY, INC. 6501 LEGACY DRIVE PLANO, TX 75024

EVP, Chief Information Officer

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Signatures

*** /s/ David A. Shipley, attorney in fact

12/11/2017

**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 shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligation upon vesting of time-based restricted stock units as required by the Issuer. These shares were not sold by the reporting person in the open market.

Remarks:

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

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