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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BRODERICK DENNIS J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Issuer

below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2006

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

Sr.VP, Secretary & Gen.Counsel

C/O FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC., 7 WEST SEVENTH

(Street)

STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City)	(State)	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)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/27/2006		M	7,000	A	\$ 51.25	8,462	D		
Common Stock	02/27/2006		M	4,600	A	\$ 28.57	13,062	D		
Common Stock	02/27/2006		S	11,600	D	\$ 71.5	1,462	D		
Common Stock							490 (1)	I	By 401(k) Plan	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number coof 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 II S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 51.25	02/27/2006		M	7,000	(2)	03/27/2008	Common Stock	7,000	
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 28.57	02/27/2006		M	4,600	(3)	03/28/2013	Common Stock	4,600	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				-	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		Other

BRODERICK DENNIS J C/O FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.

Sr.VP, Secretary & Gen.Counsel

Relationships

7 WEST SEVENTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Signatures

/s/Padma Tatta Cariappa, as attorney-in-fact for Dennis J. Broderick pursuant to a Power of Attorney 02/28/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Reflects matching contributions under the Issuer's 401(k) plan, derived by dividing the undivided interest of the reporting person in the applicable investment fund as of February 27, 2006 by \$71.17, the stock price of such date.
- (2) Options became exercisable as follows: 3,400 on March 27, 2001 and 3,600 on March 27, 2002.
- (3) Options became exercisable as follows: 2,300 on March 28, 2004 and 2,300 on March 28, 2005.

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