

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/

Form 4

March 10, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HOGUET KAREN M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FEDERATED DEPARTMENT
STORES INC /DE/ [FD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/09/2006

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 ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Executive Vice President & CFO

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/09/2006		M		7,000	A	\$ 34.375	31,587	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2006		M		15,000	A	\$ 42.625	46,587	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2006		S		22,000	D	\$ 71.2387	24,587	D	
Common Stock								971 ⁽¹⁾	I	By 401(k) Plan

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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 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 34.375	03/09/2006		M	7,000	<u>(2)</u> 03/28/2007	Common Stock	7,000
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 42.625	03/09/2006		M	15,000	<u>(3)</u> 10/30/2007	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HOGUET KAREN M C/O FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC. 7 WEST SEVENTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Executive Vice President & CFO

Signatures

/s/Padma Tatta Cariappa, as attorney-in-fact for Karen M. Hoguet pursuant to a Power of Attorney 03/10/2006

____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).

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- (1) Reflects matching contributions under the Issuer's 401(k) plan, derived by dividing the value of the undivided interest of the reporting person in the applicable investment fund as of March 9, 2006 by \$71.29, the stock price of such date.
- (2) Options became exercisable as follows: 1,750 on March 28, 1998, 1,750 on March 28, 1999, 1,750 on March 28, 2000 and 1,750 on March 28, 2001.
- (3) Options became exercisable as follows: 3,750 on October 30, 1998, 3,750 on October 30, 1999, 3,750 on October 30, 2000 and 3,750 on October 30, 2001.

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