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may cont <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	inue. 20(h	) of the Investment Compan	· ·				
(Print or Type I	Responses)						
	Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> STON MARNA C	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Symbol FEDERATED DEPARTM	-	5. Relationship of l Issuer	Reporting Perso	on(s) to	
		STORES INC /DE/ [FD]		(Check	all applicable)	)	
(Last) 2959 BARL	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2005		X Director Officer (give t below)		Owner r (specify	
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	1	6. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O	ne Reporting Per	son	
YORKLAN	ID, DE 19736			Form filed by Me Person	ore than One Rej	porting	
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative	Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any	med 3. 4. Securit on Date, if Transactior(A) or Dis Code (Instr. 3, 4 Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Code V Amount	-	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	03/31/2005	M 1,404	A \$ 21.375	6,737	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 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)	orDeriva Securi Acquir	ties red (A) posed of	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 21.375	03/31/2005		М		1,404	<u>(1)</u>	05/19/2005	Common Stock	1,404
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	03/31/2005		А	223		03/31/2008	03/31/2008	Common Stock	223
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	03/31/2005		А	223		(4)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	223

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHITTINGTON MARNA C 2959 BARLEY MILL ROAD YORKLAND, DE 19736	Х			
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### Signatures

/s/Padma Tatta Cariappa, as attorney-in-fact for Marna C. Whittington pursuant to a Power of Attorney 04/04/2005

# **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).

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

- (1) Options became exercisable as follows: 702 on May 19, 1998 and 702 on May 19, 1999.
- (2) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (3) The price noted is the average of the value of the stock units granted each month during the quarter for which this report is filed.
- (4) Units are to be received by the Reporting Person upon termination from the Board of Directors.

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