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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WHITTINGTON MARNA C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES INC /DE/ [FD]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

2959 BARLEY MILL ROAD 09/30/2005

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

YORKLAND, DE 19736

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Conversion Security or Exercise any

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** Transactionof Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Code

7. Title and Amount of 8. I Underlying Securities De (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Ins
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	09/30/2005		A		185		09/30/2008	09/30/2008	Common Stock	185	\$
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	09/30/2005		A		184		<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	184	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WHITTINGTON MARNA C 2959 BARLEY MILL ROAD YORKLAND, DE 19736	X						

Signatures

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

10/04/2005

**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) 1-for-1 conversion.
- (2) 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.
- (3) Units are to be received by the Reporting Person upon termination from the Board of Directors.

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