PETERS GREGG Form 4 August 19, 2005

FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETERS GREGG

(Middle) (First)

6436 CITY WEST PARKWAY

(Street)

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

DEPARTMENT 56 INC [DFS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/29/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Managing Director of Finance

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

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Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

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

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day	/Year) (Ins	str. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Сос	de V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 12.23	07/29/2005	A	A	2,000		07/29/2005	07/29/2015	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETERS GREGG 6436 CITY WEST PARKWAY EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55344

Managing Director of Finance

Signatures

Julie S. Wingert, Attorney 08/19/2005 in fact

**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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