

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>SMITH ALEX</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>THE TJX COMPANIES, INC.</b> <b>770 COCHITUATE ROAD</b>  (Street) <b>FRAMINGHAM MA 01701</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>TJX COMPANIES INC /DE/ [ TJX ]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>Senior EVP -- Group President</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>11/17/2004</b>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**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	11/17/2004		M		110,000	A	\$17.475	217,058	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		7,900	D	\$24.25	209,158	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		2,100	D	\$24.27	207,058	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		31,900	D	\$24.3	175,158	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		14,900	D	\$24.34	160,258	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		3,000	D	\$24.35	157,258	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		200	D	\$24.36	157,058	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		28,300	D	\$24.4	128,758	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		1,300	D	\$24.41	127,458	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		20,000	D	\$24.42	107,458	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2004		S		400	D	\$24.45	107,058	D	

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option <sup>(1)</sup>	\$17.475	11/17/2004		M		110,000		09/05/2002	09/05/2011	Common Stock	110,000	\$17.475	30,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Right to buy. Includes right to have shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations upon exercise.

**Remarks:**

Mary B. Reynolds, by Power of Attorney dated January 28, 2002 11/19/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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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