

Dollar General Opens 81 Stores in February

GOODLETTSVILLE, Tenn., Mar 10, 2003 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- Dollar General (NYSE: DG) reports opening 81 stores in the four-week period ended February 28, 2003. With these additional stores, as of February 28, 2003, the Company operated 6,192 stores.

The 81 newest store locations include five in Alabama; four in Florida; five in Georgia; two in Iowa; three in Illinois; one in Indiana; two in Kentucky; three in Louisiana; one in Maryland; four in Michigan; two in Missouri; five in Mississippi; six in North Carolina; one in Nebraska; four in New York; six in Ohio; 13 in Pennsylvania; three in South Carolina; one in Tennessee; nine in Texas; and one in West Virginia.

Dollar General is a Fortune 500® discount retailer with stores in 27 states. The Company is headquartered in Goodlettsville, Tennessee, with distribution centers in Scottsville, Kentucky; Ardmore, Oklahoma; South Boston, Virginia; Indianola, Mississippi; Fulton, Missouri; Alachua, Florida; and Zanesville, Ohio. Dollar General's Web site can be reached at www.dollargeneral.com.

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