FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* TRUBECK WILLIAM L | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [WMI] | | | | | | (Che | ck all application | able) | Perso | erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify | |
|---|--|------------|---|---|---|--|--------|--|--------------------|---|---|---|--|---|--|---|
| (Last) 1001 FAI SUITE 4 | NNIN | irst) | (Middle) | 17 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2003 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | Officer (give title below) Executive Vice President dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applications) | | | | · | |
| (Street) HOUST(| | | 77002 (Zip) | 4. | . ІТ АМЄ | enament, L | Jate (| or Originai File | a (Montn/Da | y/Year) | Line | Form fil | ed by One I | Repor | ting Person | |
| | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | Date Month/Day/Year) | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (Ins | str. | | tr. 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) | | '. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4) |
| | 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 | | 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) | | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) |)II(S) | | |
| Phantom Stock Units ⁽¹⁾ | \$0 | 12/31/2003 | | A | | 21.4787 | | 08/08/1988 | 08/08/1988 | Common Stock | 21.4787 | \$0 | 4,452.07 | 66 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Phantom stock units accrued under the Waste Management, Inc. Retirement Savings Restoration Plan, a supplemental retirement savin gs plan. A phantom stock unit is equivalent to one share of Common Stock.

Remarks:

Linda J. Smith, attorney-in-fact 01/05/2004

** 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).
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