# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

ect to

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

OMB APPROVAL										
OMB Number:	3235-0287									
Estimated average burden										
hours per response:	0.5									

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>RICE CHERIE C</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WASTE MANAGEMENT INC</u> [ WMI ]		tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) 1001 FANNIN SUITE 4000	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2009		Officer (give title below) Vice President and	Other (specify below) d Treasurer	
(Street) HOUSTON	TX 77002 (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

#### 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)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/27/2009		F		665	D	\$32.715	26,967.7321	D		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	01/28/2009		S		206	D	\$33.2	26,761.7321	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. Transa Code ( 8)		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/N	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	of (D) (Instr and 5	. 3, 4	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s)	)	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Sale of additional shares to cover personal federal income tax obligation.

**Remarks:** 

### Linda J. Smith, attorney-in-fact 01/29/2009

\*\* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.