FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* RAGIEL STEVEN T					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [WMI]										all applic Directo Officer	cable) or (give title			wner (specify	
						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/17/2004								2 %	below) Pres		ecycle	below)		
(Street) HOUST(77002 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	dividual 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. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			Code (II 8)	nstr.	str. 5) (A) or			and Securities Beneficition Owned I Reporte		es Forr ially (D) o Following (I) (II d		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect 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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	. Price of Perivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s S Ily	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er						
Phantom Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$0	06/17/2004			A		4.418		08/08/1988	3 08	8/08/1988	Common Stock	4.41	В	\$0	442.846	66	D		

Explanation of Responses:

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

Remarks:

Steven T. Ragiel

06/18/2004

** 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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