FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person $\overset{\star}{A}$ Ardsma David $\overset{\star}{A}$						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [ WM ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1001 FANNIN STREET SUITE 4000						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/06/2011									Chief Sales & Marketing Office				
			77002 (Zip)		,   4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Line)  X Form filed by One Report Form filed by More than O									orting Perso	n			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date			Transaction Dispose 5)			ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, T	1. Transa Code (1 3)		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)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
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Phantom Stock	\$0.0000	10/06/2011	10/06/20	11	A		5.8247		08/08/198	3 0	8/08/1988	Common Stock	5.82	247	\$0.0000	2,535.230	6 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Phantom stock units accrued under the Waste Management, Inc. 409A Deferral Savings Plan, a supplemental retirement savings plan. A phantom stock unit is equivalent to one share of Common Stock.
- 2. Participant's Company stock fund account on any given date may not exactly equal the number of share equivalents represented by a prior balance plus additions due to variables affecting the determination of Company stock fund unit values under the Plan on any such date.

Linda J. Smith, Attorney-in-

10/11/2011

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\*\* 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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