

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>WILLIAMS CHARLES E</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 1001 FANNIN SUITE 4000 (Street) HOUSTON TX 77002 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [WMI]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Senior Vice President
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2004	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/17/2004		M		6,375	A	\$13.8235	39,326.3577	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2004		M		5,100	A	\$12.3529	44,426.3577	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2004		S		5,142	D	\$29.61	39,284.3577	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2004		S		2,604	D	\$29.33	36,680.3577	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. 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) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$12.3529	02/17/2004		M			5,100	03/29/1995	03/29/2004	Common Stock	5,100	\$12.3529	0.0000	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$13.8235	02/17/2004		M			6,375	02/23/1996	02/23/2005	Common Stock	6,375	\$13.8235	0.0000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock option granted pursuant to Sanifill, Inc. 1994 Long-Term Incentive Plan. Stock option vests in annual increments of 25%, commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

Remarks:

Charles E. Williams

02/19/2004

** 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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