FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES	AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>POPE JOHN C</u>				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WASTE MANAGEMENT INC</u> [WMI]								all applicab	, 10% Ow			wner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1001 FANNIN SUITE 4000					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2006								Officer (g below)	ve title	e title Other below		(specify)		
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77002 (City) (State) (Zip)			77002 (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								 Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Lin X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Perso 						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date			. Transa Date	Active Securities Acquestion Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		ar) 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securi Dispose Dispose		ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an		A) or	nd 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following Reported		y Owned (D) or (I) (Ins		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
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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 Exercisat Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amo Securities Unde Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		lerlying urity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securitie Benefici Owned Followir Reporte Transac	ve es ally ng d	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	t (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		cpiration ate	Title	Nu	nount or mber of ares		(Instr. 4)				
Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ <mark>0</mark>	01/15/2006		A		4,136.1756		08/08/1988	08	3/08/1988	Commo Stock	ⁿ 4,2	136.1756	\$ <mark>0</mark>	15,375	.228	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock units accrued under the 2003 Waste Management, Inc. Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan. The stock units will be paid out in shares of common stock following termination of Board service. **Remarks:**

Linda J. Smith, attorney-in-fact 01/16/2006

** 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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