WASHINGTON LAWRENCE J JR

Form 4

February 03, 2005

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

WASHINGTON LAWRENCE J JR		Symbol DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW]					Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				2011	(Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2005					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Corp VP			
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) MIDLAND, MI 48674					- -	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur		ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Executio any		3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	sed of ((D)	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)	
Common Stock (1)	02/01/2005			M	54,000	A	\$ 25.125	79,326	D		
Common Stock	02/01/2005			F	27,298	D	\$ 49.7	52,028	D		
Common Stock	02/01/2005			F(2)	8,112	D	\$ 49.7	43,916	D		
Common Stock	02/01/2005			S	1,290	D	\$ 50.82	42,626	D		
Common Stock	02/01/2005			S	17,300	D	\$ 50.75	25,326	D		

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Common Stock	4,752.006	I	by 401(k) Plan
Common Stock	1,334.179	I	by 401(k) Plan ESOP
Common Stock	33,467	I	by Spouse

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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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.125	02/01/2005		M	54,000	(3)	02/16/2006	Common Stock	54,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WASHINGTON LAWRENCE J JR 2030 DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674			Corp VP				

Signatures

Lawrence J. Washington, Jr. 02/02/2005

**Signature of Reporting Date Person

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Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Granted under The Dow Chemical Company 1988 Award and Option Plan, a Rule 16b-3 plan. The plan pursuant to which the reported grant was made provides for tax withholding rights.
- (2) Shares withheld pursuant to tax withholding rights under award and option plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 1997.

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