EASTMAN CHEMICAL CO

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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05/10/2006

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A LEE THER	Address of Reporting F ESA K	Symbol	er Name and Ticker or Trading MAN CHEMICAL CO [EM	Issuer	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (M		-	(Check	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(FIISt) (IV.	, 2.24.0	of Earliest Transaction	Director	10% Owner			
	CHEMICAL 7, 200 SOUTH W	05/10/2	Day/Year) 2006	X_ Officer (give ti	X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
	(Street)	4. If Ame	endment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joir	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	Zip) Tabl	le 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)	` ′ .	(D) Securities I Beneficially (Owned I	6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	05/10/2006		F 4,590 D \$	5.97 10,528 1	D			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 47.55	05/10/2006		M		5,500	04/05/2004	04/05/2012	Common Stock	5,50
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 56.97	05/10/2006		A	4,590		05/10/2006	04/05/2012	Common Stock	4,59

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEE THERESA K
EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY
200 SOUTH WILCOX DRIVE
KINGSPORT, TN 37660

SVP, CLO and Corp Secretary

Signatures

Brian L. Henry, by Power of

Attorney 05/11/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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