

DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STAVROPOULOS WILLIAM S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2030 DOW CENTER

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/18/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

Chairman of the Board

MIDLAND, MI 48674

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 or Price		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/18/2005		M		112,500 A \$ 31,1042	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2005		F		65,223 D \$ 53.65	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2005		F ⁽²⁾		14,349 D \$ 53.65	D	
Common Stock	02/18/2005		S		32,928 D \$ 53.92	D	
Common Stock						I	by 401(k) Plan
					8,260.695		

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- (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, 2000.

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