WASHINGTON LAWRENCE J JR

Form 4

January 28, 2005

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WASHINGTON LAWRENCE J JR			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)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
2030 DOW CENTER			01/26/2005					_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Corporate Vice President				
					4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
MIDLAND, MI 48674								_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction E (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execut any	emed ion Date, if n/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) of (B) 4 and (A) or)	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	01/26/2005			$A_{\underline{(1)}}^{(1)}$	1,500	A	\$0	25,326	D			
common								4,752.006	I	by 401(k) Plan		
Common								1,334.179	I	by 401(k) Plan ESOP		
Common								33,467	I	by Spouse		
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1474 (9-02)												

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
	·				(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						`
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
						2			of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WASHINGTON LAWRENCE J JR 2030 DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674

Corporate Vice President

Signatures

Lawrence J. 01/28/2005 Washington, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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).

Award of Company stock to all employees who were eligible on January 1, 2002. Award was contingent upon meeting or exceeding specified multiple-year performance goals by December 31, 2004. Grants are exempt from Section 16(b) since specifically approved in advance by a committee composed solely of two or more non-employee directors and awarded under a plan approved by the Company's stockholders.

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