

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**POPE JOHN C**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [WMI]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1001 FANNIN, SUITE 4000  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/23/2008

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

HOUSTON, TX 77002  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	12/23/2008		S	2,600	D	\$ 31.4585	31,501.5365	D
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	12/23/2008		S	6,754	D	\$ 30.7361	24,747.5365	D
Common Stock	12/23/2008		D	0.5365	D	\$ 30.83	24,747	D
Common Stock							435	I
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at home

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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 Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POPE JOHN C 1001 FANNIN SUITE 4000 HOUSTON, TX 77002	X			

## Signatures

Linda J. Smith,  
attorney-in-fact  
12/29/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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) Sale of shares to pay taxes on payout of deferred stock units pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 Stock Selling Plan.
- (2) The actual range of prices for this transaction is \$31.01 to \$31.88. Full information regarding number of shares sold and price will be provided upon request.
- (3) The actual range of prices for this transaction is \$30.4975 to \$30.9175. Full information regarding number of shares sold and price will be provided upon request.

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