

STAVROPOULOS WILLIAM S

Form 4

December 15, 2004

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STAVROPOULOS WILLIAM S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2030 DOW CENTER

(Street)

MIDLAND, MI 48674

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW]

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

12/13/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman of the Board

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)

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Person

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 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)
Common Stock	12/13/2004		M	(A) or (D) Amount (1) \$ 0	414,630	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2004		D	(A) or (D) Amount (1) \$ 49.1	262,630	D	
Common Stock					8,211.785	I	by 401(k) Plan
Common Stock					1,466.62	I	by 401(k) Plan ESOP
Common Stock					55,389	I	by Partnership

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Common Stock 34,680 I by Spouse

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

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	12/13/2004		M		152,000		12/13/2004 ⁽¹⁾	12/13/2004	Common Stock	152,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
STAVROPOULOS WILLIAM S 2030 DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674	X Chairman of the Board

Signatures

William S. Stavropoulos, Chairman of the Board 12/14/2004

 **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) Deferred stock units, acquired under The Dow Chemical Company 1988 Award and Option Plan, that convert to the value of the common stock on a one-for-one basis on December 13, 2004, and are to be settled entirely in cash.

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