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(Print or Type F	Responses)										
			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO [ADM]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2005					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Vice President			
				If Amendment, Date Original led(Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
DECATUR,	, IL 02320							Person		1 0	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	n Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	n(A) or Dis (D)	posed	of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial	
Common Stock	08/08/2005			A		A	\$0	10,813	D		
Common Stock								390.7745 <u>(1)</u>	I	By Employee Benefit Plan	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.9	08/08/2005		A	14,683	(2)	08/08/2015	Common Stock	14,683

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Herzfeld Shannon 4666 FARIES PARKWAY DECATUR, IL 62526			Vice Pres	sident				
Signatures								
Stuart E. Funderburg, Attorney Herzfeld	08/10/2005							
**Signature of Report	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) Between February 4, 2005 and August 8, 2005, the reporting person acquired 390.7745 shares of ADM Common Stock pursuant to an employee benefit plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated August 8, 2005.
- (2) The option vests in five approximately equal annual installments beginning on August 8, 2006.

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