

MONSANTO CO /NEW/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MORLEY CHERYL P

(Last) (First) (Middle)
800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD.

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63167

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/12/2005

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)

Sr. VP Corporate Strategy

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/12/2005		M		15,000	A	\$ 16.145
Common Stock	04/12/2005		M		7,210	A	\$ 32.385
Common Stock	04/12/2005		S		310	D	\$ 62.19
Common Stock	04/12/2005		S		21,900	D	\$ 62.01
Common Stock							7,826
						I	By 401(k) 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. 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.145	04/12/2005		M	15,000	04/25/2004 ⁽¹⁾ 04/24/2013	Common Stock	15,000
Option (right to buy)	\$ 32.385	04/12/2005		M	7,210	03/15/2005 ⁽²⁾ 02/26/2014	Common Stock	7,210

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MORLEY CHERYL P 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167			Sr. VP Corporate Strategy	

Signatures

Christopher A. Martin,
Attorney-in-Fact

04/14/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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One-third of the options became exercisable on April 25, 2004, one-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2005 and

(1) one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2006, subject to the terms of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.

(2) One-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2005, one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2006 and one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long

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Term Incentive Plan.

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