

BEGEMANN BRETT D
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FORM 4

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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 *
BEGEMANN BRETT D

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/28/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP-International Commercial

ST. LOUIS, MO 63167
 (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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	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
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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(Instr. 5)
Phantom Share Units ⁽¹⁾	<u>(2)</u> 02/28/2005	A 88					<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	88	\$ 55.55

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BEGEMANN BRETT D 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167			EVP-International Commercial	

Signatures

Christopher A. Martin, Attorney-in-Fact	03/02/2005
<small>Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) Only securities of the same class or classes involved in the transactions being reported are included in this report.
- (2) 1 for 1
- (3) The reported phantom share units were acquired under Monsanto Company's deferred payment plan and are to be settled in monthly installments for five years beginning in the month of January following the reporting person's retirement.

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