

VALERO ENERGY CORP/TX

Form 4

April 25, 2003

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person

Dettmer, Robert G.
 One Valero Place
 San Antonio, TX 78212
 USA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Valero Energy Corporation
 VLO

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

04/24/03

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

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

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

Director

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

(X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
 () Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Transaction Date	3. Transaction Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month Price
Common Stock (\$0.01 par value)	04/24/03	A	1,190 (1)	\$37.845 10,731
(1) See Footnote (1) on Table II.				

Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Title and Number of Shares	8. Put or Call or Other Feature of Underlying Securities
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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$37.845	04/24/03	A	2,000	A	10/24/03	04/24/13	Common Stock	2,000

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Award of restricted stock under the Valero Energy Corporation Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Plan. The shares of restricted stock vest incrementally over a three-year period beginning in 2004.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

J. Stephen Gilbert, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert G. Dettmer

DATE

04/24/03