

WASTE MANAGEMENT INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**WILLIAMS CHARLES E**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [WMI]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1001 FANNIN, SUITE 4000  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/03/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior Vice President

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/03/2004		M		100,000	A	\$ 14.8125
Common Stock	12/03/2004		S		400	D	\$ 29.86
Common Stock	12/03/2004		S		2,400	D	\$ 29.85
Common Stock	12/03/2004		S		1,275	D	\$ 29.84
Common Stock	12/03/2004		S		5,300	D	\$ 29.83

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Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	4,100	D	\$ 29.82	128,506.8555	D
Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	11,700	D	\$ 29.81	116,806.8555	D
Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	22,100	D	\$ 29.8	94,706.8555	D
Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	4,400	D	\$ 29.79	90,306.8555	D
Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	9,500	D	\$ 29.78	80,806.8555	D
Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	300	D	\$ 29.77	80,506.8555	D
Common Stock	12/03/2004	S	6,900	D	\$ 29.76	73,606.8555	D

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 14.8125	12/03/2004		M	100,000	02/28/2001	02/28/2010	Common Stock	100,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIAMS CHARLES E 1001 FANNIN SUITE 4000			Senior Vice President	

HOUSTON, TX 77002

## Signatures

Charles E.  
Williams

12/06/2004

\_\_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) Stock option granted pursuant to Waste Management, Inc. 1993 Stock Incentive Plan. Stock option vests in 25% annual increments, commencing on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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