

DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/  
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**

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 \*  
**RUIZ FERNANDO**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2030 DOW CENTER  
  
(Street)

MIDLAND, MI 48674

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**04/18/2005**

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)  
Corporate VP & Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Transaction(s) Price			
				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 Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	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
Deferred Stock <u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	04/18/2005	A	7,000 <u>(3)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	04/18/2008	Common Stock	7,000
Deferred Stock <u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	04/18/2005	A	900					<u>(5)</u>	04/18/2010	Common Stock	900
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>	\$ 44.775	04/18/2005	A	3,500					<u>(6)</u>	04/18/2015	Common Stock	3,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUIZ FERNANDO 2030 DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674			Corporate VP & Treasurer	

## Signatures

Fernando Ruiz, Corporate Vice President and Treasurer  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

04/20/2005  
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 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) Granted under The Dow Chemical Company 1988 Award and Option Plan, a Rule 16b-3 plan. The plan pursuant to which the reported grant was made provides for tax withholding rights.
- (2) One-for-One.
- (3) Deferred stock with a three-year vesting period and subject to continued employment, except in the case of death or disability.
- (4) Shares to be delivered in one installment on or about April 18, 2008.
- (5) Shares to be delivered in one installment on or about April 18, 2010.
- (6) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on April 18, 2006.

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