INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Witzeman Michael D				2. Date of Event Requir Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHEMED CORP [CHE]				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/01/2017		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
26	00 CHEME	ED CENTE	ER. 255							
EAST FIFTH STREET					(Checl	k all applicable))			
(Street) CINCINNATI, OH 45202					U		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabla I	Non Dorivo	tivo Socuriti	oc Bo	neficially Owned		
	Title of Securit str. 4)	. ,		2. Amou	nt of Securities illy Owned	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		ture of Indirect Beneficial		
capital stock				5,136		D Â				
Reminder: Report on a separate line for ea owned directly or indirectly.			te line for ea	ch class of securities ben	eficially	SEC 1473 (7-02	2)			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
		Title	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
performance stock units	(1)	(1)	capital stock	265	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
performance stock units	(3)	(<u>3)</u>	capital stock	265	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
performance stock units	(4)	(4)	capital stock	632	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
performance stock units	(5)	(5)	capital stock	604	\$ <u>(2)</u>	D	Â
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(6)	11/08/2023	capital stock	3,551	\$ 70.3	D	Â
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(7)	11/07/2024	capital stock	6,000	\$ 106.59	D	Â
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(8)	11/06/2020	capital stock	6,000	\$ 157.36	D	Â
stock option (righ to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(9)	11/04/2021	capital stock	10,000	\$ 135.85	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Witzeman Michael D 2600 CHEMED CENTER 255 EAST FIFTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Â	Â	vice president and controller	Â		

Signatures

Michael D. Witzeman 04/07/2017 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- The restricted stock units vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain Earnings per Share performance targets over a(1) performance period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 with the determination of such performance level to be made no later than March 15, 2018 and earned shares of Capital Stock to be delivered thereafter.

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- (2) each performance stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Chemed capital stock
- The restricted stock units vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain Total Shareholder Return performance targets(3) over a performance period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 with the determination of such performance level to be made no later than March 15, 2018 and earned shares of Capital Stock to be delivered thereafter.
- PSU's vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain performance targets over a performance period of January 1, 2016
 (4) December 31, 2018. The determination of the performance level is to be made by March 15, 2019 and earned shares to be delivered thereafter.

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(5) - December 31, 2019. The determination of the performance level is to be made by March 15, 2020 and earned shares to be delivered thereafter

- (6) Vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/8/2014.
- (7) Vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/7/2015
- (8) vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/6/2016.
- (9) Vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/04/2017

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