

MONSANTO CO /NEW/
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
MIZELL STEVEN

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

ST. LOUIS, MO 63167

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/29/2004

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)
Sr. VP Human Resources

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 Following 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			
Common Stock					5,000	D	
Common Stock					714	I	By 401(k) Plan

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 41.61	10/29/2004		A	31,550	11/15/2005 ⁽¹⁾ 10/28/2014	Common Stock	31,550
Common Stock	\$ 32.915					05/15/2005 ⁽²⁾ 05/14/2015	Common Stock	0 ⁽³⁾
Phantom Share Units	⁽⁴⁾					⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁵⁾	Phantom Share Units	0 ⁽³⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MIZELL STEVEN 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167			Sr. VP Human Resources	

Signatures

Christopher A. Martin,
Attorney-in-Fact

11/02/2004

**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) One-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2005, one-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2006 and one third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (2) One-third of the options become exercisable on May 15, 2005, one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2006 and one third of the options become exercisable on May 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (3) No transaction is reported on this Form 4 for these securities.

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(5) The reported phantom shares units were acquired under Monsanto Company's excess benefit plan and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

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