ATLEE FRANK V III Form 4 June 07, 2002

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

[_] Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and A	ddress of Reporting Person*					
AtLee III	Frank	s	V.			
(Last)	(First)	(Mido	dle)			
10137 East Ho	rizon Drive					
	(Street)				
Scottsdale	AZ	8	85262			
(City)	(State)	(Zip	o)			
2. Issuer Nam	e and Ticker or Trading Symb	ol				
Monsanto Comp MON	any					
3. IRS Identi	fication Number of Reporting	g Person, if an Ent	tity (Voluntary)			
4. Statement	for Month/Year					
May 2002						
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)						
	ip of Reporting Person to Is applicable)	suer				
[X] Direc [X] Offic	tor er (give title below)	[_] 10% Owne: [_] Other (sp				
Chairman of t	he Board					

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[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

	2.	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			
1.					(A)		
Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (mm/dd/yy)			Amount	or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	4/30/02	A(1)	V	5,206	D	\$30.735	
* If the Form is filed by mor 4(b)(v).	e than one Report.	ing Pers	on,	see Instructi	on		
Reminder: Report on a separate l owned directly or indi		of secur	ities	beneficially			
(Pri	nt or Type Respons	es)					

(Form 4-07/99)

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Table II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1.	cise 3. Price Trans-		4. Trans- action Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of(D)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			lying es 3 and 4)
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Secur- ity	Year)	Code V	4 and (A)	5) (D)	Date Exer- cisable	Expira- tion Date	Title	
Option (right to buy)							10/16/10	Common	
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- (1) Represents shares of deferred common stock deliverable upon termination as a director under t Director Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. Shares of deferred stock are credited in the for unit account in installments on the last day of each plan month during the director's term an Shares of deferred stock not credited to the stock unit account because of termination as a d director's term are forfeited.
- (2) Includes 17,049 shares of deferred common stock deliverable under the Monsanto Company Non-Em Compensation Plan; 156 shares of common stock issued as dividends with respect to such deferr common stock owned directly by the reporting person.
- (3) These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of one of the reporting person's sons. The trustee of the trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for pur other purpose.
- (4) These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of one of the reporting person's sons. The r person's spouse are trustees of the trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownershi filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (5) 50% of the shares underlying the option became exercisable on 3/15/02 and 50% become exercisa terms and conditions of the Monsanto 2000 Management Incentive Plan.

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/s/ Michael D. Bryan	6/7/02
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

- * Michael D. Bryan, attorney-in-fact for Frank V. AtLee III
- * Executed pursuant to a Power of Attorney previously filed
 ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.