MONSANTO CO /NEW/

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ado	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Monsanto Company (MON)							6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)				of Reporting Person,				atement for th/Day/Year ember 1, 2002	10	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street) Chicago , IL 60602								Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		7. 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)	T	able	I Non-I	Derivat	ive Secu	rities Acquired,	Dispose	d of, or Benef	icially Owned	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	3. Trans- action de action or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)					I (A) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow-			7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
	(Month/ Day/ Year)	if any (Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/01/02		A (2)		48	A	\$16.85		14,946(3)	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of	2. Conver-	3.	3A.	4.	5.	Date Exercisable	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative	sion or	Trans-	Deemed	Trans-	Number	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of Indirect
Security	Exercise	action	Execution	action	of	Date	Underlying	Security	Securities	ship	Beneficial
	Price of	Date	Date,	Code	Derivati	(Medonth/Day/	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Form	Ownership
(Instr. 3)	Derivative		if any		Securition	X ear)	(Instr. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Instr. 4)
	Security	(Month/	(Month/	(Instr.	Acquire	đ			Following	ative	
		-	Day/	8)	(A) or				Reported	Security:	
		Year)	Year)		Dispose	đ			Transaction(s)	Direct	
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				of (Ins 3, 4					,	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V (A)	Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number of Shares			
Option (right to buy)	\$20.00				(4)		Common Stock	10,000	10,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Michael D. Bryan, attorney-in-fact for C. Steven McMillan pursuant to a Power of Attorney previously filed.
- (2) Represents shares of common stock issued as dividends with respect to shares of deferred common stock deliverable upon termination as a director under the Monsanto Company Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. Shares of deferred stock are credited in the form of hypothetical shares to a stock unit account in installments on the last day of each plan month during the director's term and for the payment of dividends. Shares of deferred stock not credited to the stock unit account because of termination as a director before the end of the director's term are forfeited.
- (3) Includes 6,600 shares of deferred common stock deliverable under the Monsanto Company Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Compensation Plan; 198 shares of common stock issued as dividends with respect to such deferred shares and 8,148 shares of common stock owned directly by the Reporting Person.
- (4) 50% of shares became exercisable on March 15, 2002 and 50% of shares become exercisable on March 15, 2003, subject to the terms of the Monsanto 2000 Management Incentive Plan.

By: /s/ Michael D. Bryan(1)

January 8, 2003

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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