

ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 PREIKSAITIS RAYMOND V

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO [ADM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 4666 FARIES PARKWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/18/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Group Vice President

DECATUR, IL 62526

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/18/2005		M		12,799	A	\$ 13.6871
Common Stock	02/18/2005		M		2,780	A	\$ 13.5246
Common Stock	02/18/2005		S		6,100	D	\$ 24.85
Common Stock	02/18/2005		S		9,000	D	\$ 24.86
Common Stock	02/18/2005		S		479	D	\$ 24.88
							109,730
							112,510
							106,410
							97,410
							96,931

Common Stock	36,604.8	I	By Employee Benefit Plan
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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.6871	02/18/2005		M	12,799	<u>(1)</u> 04/17/2007	Common Stock 12,799
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.5246	02/18/2005		M	2,780	<u>(2)</u> 05/03/2009	Common Stock 2,780

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
PREIKSAITIS RAYMOND V 4666 FARIES PARKWAY DECATUR, IL 62526	Group Vice President

Signatures

Stuart E. Funderburg, Attorney-in-Fact for Raymond V. Preiksaitis	02/18/2005
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__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) The option becomes exercisable in approximately 11.1% increments annually commencing on April 17, 1998.
 - (2) The option becomes exercisable in approximately 11.1% increments annually commencing on May 3, 2000.

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