

SMITH DAVID JAMES
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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 *
SMITH DAVID JAMES

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)
08/08/2005

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

DECATUR, IL 62526

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/08/2005		A		83,227	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	08/08/2005		F		12,068	D	\$ 20.78
Common Stock					25,595.7294	I	(1)

Employee Benefit 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.9	08/08/2005		A	48,433	<u>(2)</u> 08/08/2015	Common Stock	48,433

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH DAVID JAMES 4666 FARIES PARKWAY DECATUR, IL 62526			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Stuart E. Funderburg, Attorney-in-Fact for David James Smith
 08/10/2005
 **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) Between February 16, 2005 and August 8, 2005, the reporting person acquired 485,7894 shares of ADM Common Stock pursuant to an employee benefit plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated August 8, 2005.
- (2) The option vests in five approximately equal annual installments beginning on August 8, 2006.

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