#### DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

RESPINI LUCIANO Symb			Symbol	Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading mbol  OW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) 2030 DOW	, ,	(Middle)		Day/Year)	Fransaction		_	Director _X Officer (give t elow)		Owner r (specify
MIDLAND	(Street)  O, MI 48674			endment, I	Oate Origina ar)	al	A 	. Individual or Join Applicable Line) X_ Form filed by Or Form filed by Moresson	ne Reporting Per	rson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of (		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)
Common Stock (1)	12/02/2004			M	10,000	A	\$ 26.6458	22,789	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004			F	5,236	D	\$ 50.88	17,553	D	
Common Stock	12/02/2004			F(2)	1,377	D	\$ 50.88	16,176	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securit
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.6458	12/02/2004		M	10,000	(3)	02/12/2007	Common Stock	10,0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Maine / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RESPINI LUCIANO 2030 DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674

Corporate Vice President

# **Signatures**

Luciano Respini, Corporate Vice

President 12/06/2004

\*\*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) Granted under The Dow Chemical Company 1988 Award and Option Plan, a Rule 16b-3 plan. The Plan provides for tax withholding rights.
- (2) Shares withheld pursuant to tax withholding rights under award and option plans in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 1998.

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