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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Ac Ringler, Jame s			ne and Tic. nemical Co		Per	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
(Last) 2030 Dow Cent	of Repor	ting	ntification N Person, voluntary)	Number		atement for th/Day/Year 5/03	X Director						
									Dir	ector			
(Street)							Date	5. If Amendment, Date of Original		7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
Midland, MI 48674							(Mo	(Month/Day/Year)		X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) ((Zip)	Т	able	I Non-D	erivati	ive Sec	urities Acquired, D	ispose	d of, or Benef	icially Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date,	3. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)		(A) or Disp	4. Securities Acqu (A) or Disposed of Instr. 3, 4 & 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		ship Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
	(Month/ Day/ Year)	if any (Month/Day/ Year)	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Follow- ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		or Indirect (I)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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

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Derivative	sion or	action	Deemed	Trans-	of	and Expiration	Amount of	Derivative	Derivative	Owner-	of I
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(Instr. 3)	Derivative	(Month/	if any		Acquired	Year)	(Instr. 3 & 4)		Owned	of Deriv-	(Ins
	Security	Day/	(Month/	(Instr.	(A) or				Following	ative	
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(e.g., nuts, calls, warrants, ontions, convertible securities)

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)							Indirect		
			Code	V	(A)	Exer-cisable	Expira- tion Date		Amount or Number			(I) (Instr. 4)	
									of Shares				
Nonemployee Director Stock Incentive	\$26.125	03/05/03	Α	3,	,650.00	02/06/06		Common Stock	3,650.00		3,650.00	D	

Explanation of Responses:

By: /s/ Thomas E. Moran Thomas E. Moran for James M. Ringler **Signature of Reporting Person 03/05/03 Date

**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 is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Tina S. Van Dam and Thomas E. Moran, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of The Dow Chemical Company (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary of desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally requi

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by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall cont such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discret

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and per any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersign might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the ri and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Compa assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 6th day of March, 2003.

Signature: /s/ James M. Ringler

Print Name: James M. Ringler