

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 | 300,933 | D | |
| Common Stock | 08/08/2005 | | F | 12,068 D \$ 20.78 | 288,865 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 25,595.7294 (1) | I | Employee Benefit Plan |

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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).

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(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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