FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     MCNERNEY W JAMES JR  |          |            |  |            |                 | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 3M CO [ MMM ]   |        |   |                            |   |                      |                        |  | (Ch   | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner     |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|----------|------------|--|------------|-----------------|---|--------|---|----------------------------|---|----------------------|------------------------|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last)   | (First   | ) (        | Middle)                                  |            |                 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/05/2004 |        |   |                            |   |                      |                        |  |   | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD & CEO                           |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)   |          |            |  |            |                 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)    |        |   |                            |   |                      |                        |  |   | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |  |  |  |  |
| (City)   | (State   | e) (.      | Zip)                                     |            |                 |   |        |   |                            |   |                      |                        |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |          |            |  |            |                 |   |        |   |                            |   |                      |                        |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  |          |            | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Yea |            | Execution Date, |   | ite,   | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |                            | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 |                      |                        | 5)   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Own<br>Following Repor |   | ect<br>irect   | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect Beneficial<br>Ownership (Instr.<br>4) |  |  |  |
|  |          |            |  |            |                 |   |        | Code                                    | v                          | Amount  | (A) or<br>(D)        | Price                  |  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                                |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |          |            |  | 08/05/2004 |                 |   |        |   | M                          |   | 81,999               | A                      | A \$51.52  |   | 302,954   | D  |  |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |          |            | 08/05/                                   | 08/05/2004 |                 |   |        | F                                       |                            | 51,165  | D                    | \$82                   | 575  | 251,789   | D   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |          |            | 08/05/                                   | /05/2004   |                 |   |        | F                                       |                            | 10,082  | D                    | \$82                   | 575  | 241,707   | D   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Common Stock   |          |            |  |            |                 |   |        |   |                            |   |                      |                        |  | 433   | I   |  | by<br>401k/PAESOP<br>Trust                                     |  |  |  |
| 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) (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) |          |            |  | Date, T    | Code (Inst      |   |        |   | Expiration [<br>(Month/Day |   |                      | Securitie<br>Derivativ | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |   | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | 10.<br>Owner<br>Form:<br>Direct<br>or Ind<br>(I) (Ins          | (D) Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>rect (Instr. 4) |  |  |
|  |          |            |  |            | Code            | v   | (A)    | (D)                                     | Da<br>Ex                   | nte<br>ercisable  | Expiration<br>e Date | Title                  |  | Amoun<br>or<br>Numbe<br>of Shar                                   | ,   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4)   |  |  |  |  |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)  | \$51.525 | 08/05/2004 |  |            | M               |   |        | 81,99                                   | 09 0                       | 1/02/2002   | 12/04/2010           | Commo<br>Stock         |  | 81,99   | 9 \$0   | 1,078,673  | D  |  |  |  |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)  | \$82.6   | 08/05/2004 |  |            | A               |   | 61,247 |   | 02                         | 2/05/2005   | 05/07/2010           | Commo<br>Stock         |  | 61,24   | 7 \$0   | 61,247   | D  |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

By: George Ann Biros For: W.

James McNerney

08/05/2004

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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