FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 50(ii) of the investment company Act or 1940	
1. Name and Addre <u>PALENSKY</u>		son*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>3M CO</u> [MMM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
(Last) 3M CENTER	(First)	(Middle)	 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2012 	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EXEC VP R&D & CHF TECH OFF
(Street) ST. PAUL (City)	MN (State)	55144-1000 (Zip)	 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person 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)	Date Execution Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/16/2012		М		5,186(1)	Α	\$84.83	51,793	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2012		S		5,186(1)	D	\$ <mark>90</mark>	46,607	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	Code (Instr.		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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$84.83	03/16/2012		М			5,186 ⁽¹⁾	11/14/2007	05/14/2012	Common Stock	5,186	\$0	2,439	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 2, 2011.

George Ann Biros, attorney-in-fact 03/19/2012 for Fred J. Palensky

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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