

ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO
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FORM 4

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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)
 02/15/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

DECATUR, IL 62526
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership: Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	02/15/2006		M		1,417 A \$ 13.6871	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2006		M		2,573 A \$ 13.5246	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2006		M		4,958 A \$ 11.3379	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2006		M		24,114 A \$ 9.0703	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2006		F		17,142 D \$ 30.9	D	

Common
Stock

25,890.2698 I

Employee
Benefit
Plan

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. 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
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.6871	02/15/2006		M	1,417	<u>(1)</u> 04/17/2007	Common Stock	1,417
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.5246	02/15/2006		M	2,573	<u>(2)</u> 05/03/2009	Common Stock	2,573
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.3379	02/15/2006		M	4,958	<u>(3)</u> 05/01/2010	Common Stock	4,958
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.0703	02/15/2006		M	24,114	<u>(3)</u> 05/01/2010	Common Stock	24,114

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Reporting Owners

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

02/17/2006

__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) The option becomes exercisable in approximately 11.1% increments annually commencing on April 17, 1998.
- (2) The option becomes exercisable in approximately 11.1% increments annually commencing on May 3, 2000.
- (3) The option was granted in three tranches (A, B and C). The option becomes exercisable in eight equal annual installments commencing on May 1, 2002; provided that the three tranches are exercisable sequentially commencing with Tranche A.

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