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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  CAFFERTY PASTORA SAN JUAN					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [ WMI ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 1001 FA SUITE 4	(F NNIN	First)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2004								_ ^	Officer (g below)	ive title	Other (sp below)			
(Street)	ON T	X	77002		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indi	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	3)	State)	(Zip)																
			Table I - Non-	Deriva	ative S	Securitie	s Ac	quired, [	Disp	osed o	of, or I	Bene	ficially C	wned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month/I				ate		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a				and 5) Securities Beneficially Following		6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct I ndirect E r. 4) (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
					Code			v	Amount	(,	A) or O)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and	ction(s)		(	(Instr. 4)		
			Table II - D					uired, Di s, options						ned					
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)	Transaction Code (Instr. ) 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou Securities Underl Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		derlying curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followin	ve es ially ng	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0	01/15/2004		A		1,251.7883		08/08/1988	08	/08/1988	Commo		251.7883	\$0	4,410.	9406	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock units accrued under the 2003 Waste Management, Inc. Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan. The stock units will be paid out in shares of common stock following termination of Board service.

## Remarks:

Linda J. Smith, attorney-in-fact 01/16/2004

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

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