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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* TRUBECK WILLIAM L					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASTE MANAGEMENT INC [WMI]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
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(Last) (First) (Middle) 1001 FANNIN1001 FANNIN SUITE 4000SUITE 4000					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/22/2004							X Office title Soliter (Specify below) Executive Vice President				
(Street) HOUSTON TX 77002			77002	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line) <mark>K</mark> Form fil	Form filed by More than One Reporting			
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)													
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																
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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)	or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Execution Date,	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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	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		(Instr. 4)	(3)		
Phantom Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$0	04/22/2004		A		21.8647		08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	21.8647	\$0	4,997.053	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Phantom stock units accrued under the Waste Management, Inc. Retirement Savings Restoration Plan, a supplemental retirement savin gs plan. A phantom stock unit is equivalent to one share of Common Stock.

Remarks:

Linda J. Smith, attorney-in-fact 04/26/2004

** 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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