

KIESEL EUGENE W
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KIESEL EUGENE W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
OIL DRI CORPORATION OF AMERICA [ODC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
410 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 400
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/11/2004

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Vice President

CHICAGO, IL 60611-4213

(City) (State) (Zip)

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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 (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock	10/11/2004		M ⁽¹⁾			2,100		D	
Common Stock	10/11/2004		M ⁽¹⁾			\$ 17,100		D	
Common Stock	10/11/2004		S			7,700		D	
Common Stock	10/11/2004		S			2,100		D	
Common Stock	10/11/2004		S			1,700		D	

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Common Stock	10/11/2004	S	1,700	D	\$ 15.21	0	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	M ⁽¹⁾	7,900	A	\$ 6.15	7,900	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	M ⁽¹⁾	1,400	A	\$ 8.625	9,300	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	S	3,000	D	\$ 15.15	6,300	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	S	700	D	\$ 15.16	5,600	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	S	300	D	\$ 15.18	5,300	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	S	2,600	D	\$ 15.19	2,700	D
Common Stock	10/12/2004	S	2,700	D	\$ 15.2	0	D

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.15	10/11/2004		M ⁽¹⁾	2,100	10/12/2003	10/12/2011	Common Stock	2,100
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.5625	10/11/2004		M ⁽¹⁾	15,000	09/17/2001	09/17/2009	Common Stock	15,000
	\$ 6.15	10/12/2004		M ⁽¹⁾	7,900	10/12/2003	10/12/2011		7,900

