#### MONSANTO CO /NEW/

Form 4

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# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A CLARK RIC	*	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD.		LVD.	(Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2008	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specifielow)  Vice President and Controller			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ST LOUIS, MO 63167				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - N	lon-	Derivative	tr. 3, 4 and 5)  Beneficially Form: Ownership  Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 4)  Following or Indirect				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	Transactionor Disposed Code (Instr. 3, 4 a (Instr. 8)		oosed of (D)		Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/06/2007		G	V	190	D	\$0	50,662	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2007		G	V	25	D	\$0	50,637	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2007		G	V	385	D	\$0	50,252	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008		M(1)		11,267	A	\$ 20.805	61,519	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008		S(1)		1,200	D	\$ 127.17	60,319	D	

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Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 127.21	60,219	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 127.23	60,119	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S(1)	1,100	D	\$ 127.24	59,019	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 127.25	58,819	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	800	D	\$ 127.27	58,019	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	1,300	D	\$ 127.29	56,719	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	300	D	\$ 127.31	56,419	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	700	D	\$ 127.39	55,719	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	1,500	D	\$ 127.41	54,219	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 127.5	53,219	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 127.51	52,219	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	1,100	D	\$ 127.53	51,119	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	767	D	\$ 127.69	50,352	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2008	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 127.78	50,252	D	
Common Stock	01/16/2008	F	1,274 (3)	D	\$ 112.7	48,978	D	
Common Stock						41	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock						184	I	By Spouse/Children

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

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tionDerivative 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 Share
Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.805	01/15/2008		M(1)		11,267	11/15/2005(2)	10/28/2014	Common Stock	11,26

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CLARK RICHARD B 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST LOUIS, MO 63167

Vice President and Controller

## **Signatures**

/s/ Christopher A. Martin, Attorney-in-Fact

01/17/2008

\*\*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 sales and stock option exercise reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on July 5, 2007.
- One-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2005, one-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2006 and one-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- (3) On January 16, 2008, 3,000 shares of restricted stock became fully vested for which taxes became due and payable. 1,274 shares of restricted stock were used for the payment of these taxes.

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