MONSANTO CO /NEW/

Form 4/A

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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 ** KING GWENDOLYN S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
1506 HAMILTON STREET, N.W.			(Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2004	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specification)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			05/04/2004	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		

WASHINGTON, DC 20011

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or		Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(A) or Amount (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/30/2004		A	34 (1) (2) A	\$ 34.59	10,714 (3)	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)

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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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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
Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.9				03/15/2002(4)	10/16/2010	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KING GWENDOLYN S 1506 HAMILTON STREET, N.W. X WASHINGTON, DC 20011

Signatures

Christopher A. Martin, Attorney-in-Fact

11/02/2004

**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).

Represents dividend equivalents with respect to shares of deferred common stock deliverable upon termination as a director under the Monsanto Company Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Plan. Shares of stock are credited in the form of hypothetical shares to a

- (1) stock unit account in installments on the last day of each plan month during the director's term and for the payment of dividends. Shares of deferred stock not credited to the stock unit account because of termination as a director before the end of the director's term are forfeited.
- (2) This amount reflects the correct amount of dividend equivalents.
- Includes 8,700 shares of deferred common stock deliverable under the Monsanto Company Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive (3) Compensation Plan; 338 shares of common stock issued as dividends with respect to such shares; and 1,676 shares of common stock owned directly by the Reporting Person.
- (4) 50% of the shares became exercisable on March 15, 2002 and 50% of shares became exercisable on March 15, 2003, subject to the terms of the Monsanto Company Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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