

JAMES DONALD M
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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 *
JAMES DONALD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VULCAN MATERIALS CO [VMC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/31/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/31/2005		M	37,500 A \$ 18.85	113,155	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2005		S	37,500 D \$ 70.5	75,655	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2005		M	37,500 A \$ 18.85	113,155	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2005		S	37,500 D \$ 72	75,655	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2005		A ⁽¹⁾	15,001 A \$ 71.85	90,656	D	

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Common Stock	08/31/2005	A ⁽¹⁾	109,457	A	\$ 71.85	200,113	D	
Common Stock (401k)	08/31/2005	D ⁽¹⁾	15,001	D	\$ 71.85	0	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock (Restricted Stock Units) ⁽²⁾	08/31/2005	D ⁽¹⁾	109,457	D	\$ 71.85	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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.85	08/31/2005		M	37,500	05/17/1997 ⁽³⁾	05/17/2006	Common Stock	37,500
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JAMES DONALD M 1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242	X		Chairman & CEO	

Signatures

By: Amy M. Tucker,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/02/2005

__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).

Mr. James' 15,001 shares held under Vulcan Materials Company's 401(K) plan and his 109,457 shares held under Vulcan's Restricted

(1) Stock Plan have been lumped together under one security titled Common Stock. Also, the 401(K) shares are switched from an indirect holding to a direct holding . The reflected transactions accomplish these purposes.

(2) Restricted Stock Units which are convertible on a 1-for-1 basis.

(3) The option vests over five years in 20% increments each year on the anniversary of the grant date.

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