

GAMBRELL MICHAEL R  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**GAMBRELL MICHAEL R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 2030 DOW CENTER  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/12/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior Vice President

MIDLAND, MI 48674

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/12/2004		M		9,000	A	\$ 31.1042
Common Stock	11/12/2004		F		5,770	D	\$ 48.515
Common Stock	11/12/2004		F <sup>(2)</sup>		981	D	\$ 48.515
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/15/2004		M		9,000	A	\$ 31.1042
Common Stock	11/15/2004		F		5,709	D	\$ 49.03

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Common Stock	11/15/2004	F <sup>(2)</sup>	999	D	\$ 49.03	16,680.578	D	
Common Stock						6,014.638	I	by 401(k) Plan
Common Stock						1,170.328	I	by 401(k) Plan ESOP
Common Stock						92.006	I	by Custodial
Common Stock						30	I	by Spouse

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>	\$ 31.1042	11/12/2004		M	9,000	<u>(3)</u> 02/16/2009	Common Stock	9,000	
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>	\$ 31.1042	11/15/2004		M	9,000	<u>(3)</u> 02/16/2009	Common Stock	9,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GAMBRELL MICHAEL R  
2030 DOW CENTER  
MIDLAND, MI 48674

Senior Vice President

## Signatures

Michael R. Gambrell, Senior Vice  
President

11/15/2004

\_\_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).
- (1) Granted under The Dow Chemical Company 1988 Award and Option Plan, a Rule 16b-3 plan. The Plan provides for tax withholding rights.
- (2) Shares withheld pursuant to tax withholding rights under award and option plans in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2000.

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