

MONSANTO CO /NEW/
Form 4
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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 *
LEIDY MARK J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD.

(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63167

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/31/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP-Manufacturing

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 08/31/2006 | | F | D | 3,936 (1) \$ 46.98 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 7,018 (2) | I | By 401(k) Plan |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 10.6475 (3) | | | | | 06/17/2004 ⁽⁴⁾ 06/16/2013 | Common Stock | (5) |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.1925 (3) | | | | | 03/15/2005 ⁽⁶⁾ 02/26/2014 | Common Stock | (5) |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 20.805 (3) | | | | | 11/15/2005 ⁽⁷⁾ 10/28/2014 | Common Stock | (5) |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 29.2175 (3) | | | | | 11/15/2006 ⁽⁸⁾ 10/28/2015 | Common Stock | (5) |
| Phantom Share Units | (9) | | | | | (10) (10) | Common Stock | (5) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LEIDY MARK J 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167 | | | EVP-Manufacturing | |

Signatures

Christopher A. Martin,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/05/2006

__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) On August 31, 2006, 9,600 restricted stock units became fully vested for which taxes became due and payable. 3,936 restricted stock units were used for the payment of these taxes.
- (2) Holdings reflect a 2-for-1 split of Monsanto Company common stock on July 28, 2006.
- (3) Exercise price has been adjusted to reflect a 2-for-1 split of Monsanto Company common stock on July 28, 2006.
- (4) One-third of the options became exercisable on June 17, 2004, one-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2005 and one-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2006, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (5) No transaction is reported on this Form 4 for these securities.
- (6) One-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2005, one-third of the options became exercisable on March 15, 2006 and one-third of the options become exercisable on March 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (7) One third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2005, one-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2006 and one-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2007, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (8) One third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2006, one-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2007 and one-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2008, subject to the terms and conditions of the Monsanto Company Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (9) 1 for 1
- (10) The reported phantom share units were acquired under Monsanto Company's excess benefit plan and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

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