

EASTMAN CHEMICAL CO
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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 *
FERGUSON J BRIAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**EASTMAN CHEMICAL
 COMPANY, 200 SOUTH WILCOX
 DRIVE**

(Street)

KINGSPORT, TN 37660-5075

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EASTMAN CHEMICAL CO [EMN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
09/04/2008

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)
Chairman of the Board and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 09/04/2008 | | M | V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 46.0625 | 198,999 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/04/2008 | | M | V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 55.06 | 200,413 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 6,366 ⁽¹⁾ | I | 401(k) |
| Common Stock | | | | | 578 | I | ESOP |
| Common Stock | | | | | 62,000 ⁽²⁾ | I | By GRAT |

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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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 46.0625 | 09/04/2008 | | M | 510 | 04/07/2002 04/06/2010 | Common Stock | 510 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 55.06 | 09/04/2008 | | M | 1,414 | 11/08/2005 02/15/2009 | Common Stock | 1,414 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FERGUSON J BRIAN EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY 200 SOUTH WILCOX DRIVE KINGSPORT, TN 37660-5075 | X | | Chairman of the Board and CEO | |

Signatures

Brian L. Henry, by Power of Attorney
09/08/2008

__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) Includes 138 shares acquired since February 22, 2008 resulting from employee payroll contributions and automatic reinvestment of dividends.
- (2) Shares previously reported as directly beneficially owned which were contributed to a grantor retained annuity trust ("GRAT").

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