

WARD JONATHAN P
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**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 *
WARD JONATHAN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SERVICEMASTER CO [SVM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/08/2005

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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DOWNERS
GROVE, IL 60515-1700

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common stock \$.01 par value | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common stock \$.01 par value | 09/08/2005 | | I | 406 | \$ 13.5843 | D | 401(k) plan |
| | | | | | 691,776 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| | | | | | 0 ⁽²⁾ | I | |

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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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 10.5 | | | | | 01/09/2002 | 01/08/2011 | Common Stock | 1,630,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 13.83 | | | | | 02/08/2003 | 02/07/2009 | Common Stock | 425,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 13.87 | | | | | 02/28/2001 | 02/27/2007 | Common Stock | 3,605 |
| 2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 9.88 | | | | | 03/18/2004 | 03/17/2013 | Common Stock | 172,000 |
| 2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 10.73 | | | | | 02/13/2005 | 02/12/2014 | Common Stock | 190,000 |
| 2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right | \$ 13.44 | | | | | 02/11/2006 | 02/10/2015 | Common Stock | 190,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WARD JONATHAN P
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600
DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515-1700

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Chairman & CEO

Signatures

Sandra L. Groman by power of
attorney

09/09/2005

__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).
- (1) Direct holdings include 3,366 shares acquired through the ServiceMaster Employee Share Purchase Plan and 3,456 shares acquired through the ServiceMaster Dividend Reinvestment Plan during the period March through September 2005.
- (2) Includes 7 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment feature of the ServiceMaster Profit Sharing and Retirement Plan as of August 31, 2005.
- (3) Exercisable as to 380,000 shares on grant date (January 9, 2001) and becomes exercisable as to an additional 250,000 shares on December 31 in each of the years 2001 through 2005.
- (4) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.
The option was issued pursuant to the WeServeHomes.com, Inc. 2000 Option/Stock Issuance Plan and is subject to repurchase rights
- (5) upon termination of employment according to the following: 25% of the shares lapse upon first anniversary of grant date and the remainder in a series of 36 successive equal monthly installments.

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