

SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO  
Form 3  
August 23, 2005

**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0104  
Expires: January 31, 2005  
Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol                         |  |
| Â Knight Timothy A                        |         | (Month/Day/Year)                     | SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO [SHW]  |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle)                             | 08/18/2005   |  |
| 101 PROSPECT AVENUE,<br>N.W.              |         |                                      | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer                           | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
| (Street)                                  |         |                                      | (Check all applicable)   |  |
| CLEVELAND,Â OHÂ 44115                     |         |                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner       | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |                                      | (give title below) (specify below)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |
|   |         |                                      | Group President, Global Group  |  |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    | 25,703 <sup>(1)</sup>                                 | D  | Â   |
| Common Stock                    | 6,534.1601 <sup>(2)</sup>                             | I  | Stock Plan  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

SEC 1473 (7-02)

**Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.**

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
|--|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|

Edgar Filing: SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO - Form 3

|   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares | Derivative<br>Security | Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|---|---|
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 01/29/1998          | 01/28/2007         | Common<br>Stock | 1,666                            | \$ 27.75               | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 01/29/1999          | 01/28/2007         | Common<br>Stock | 1,666                            | \$ 27.75               | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 01/29/2000          | 01/28/2007         | Common<br>Stock | 1,668                            | \$ 27.75               | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 02/04/1999          | 02/03/2008         | Common<br>Stock | 1,666                            | \$ 29.0313             | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 02/04/2000          | 02/03/2008         | Common<br>Stock | 1,667                            | \$ 29.0313             | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 02/04/2001          | 02/03/2008         | Common<br>Stock | 1,667                            | \$ 29.0313             | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 07/21/2000          | 07/20/2009         | Common<br>Stock | 4,000                            | \$ 29.1563             | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 07/21/2001          | 07/20/2009         | Common<br>Stock | 4,000                            | \$ 29.1563             | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 07/21/2002          | 07/20/2009         | Common<br>Stock | 4,000                            | \$ 29.1563             | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/18/2003          | 10/17/2012         | Common<br>Stock | 10,000                           | \$ 25.425              | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/18/2004          | 10/17/2012         | Common<br>Stock | 10,000                           | \$ 25.425              | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/18/2005          | 10/17/2012         | Common<br>Stock | 10,000                           | \$ 25.425              | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/24/2004          | 10/23/2013         | Common<br>Stock | 5,000                            | \$ 31.2                | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/24/2005          | 10/23/2013         | Common<br>Stock | 5,000                            | \$ 31.2                | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/24/2006          | 10/23/2013         | Common<br>Stock | 5,000                            | \$ 31.2                | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/20/2005          | 10/19/2014         | Common<br>Stock | 4,500                            | \$ 41.725              | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/20/2006          | 10/19/2014         | Common<br>Stock | 4,500                            | \$ 41.725              | D   | Â |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(Right to Buy) | 10/20/2007          | 10/19/2014         | Common<br>Stock | 4,500                            | \$ 41.725              | D   | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                                 |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                         | Other |
| Knight Timothy A<br>101 PROSPECT AVENUE, N.W.<br>CLEVELAND, OH 44115 | Â             | Â         | Â Group President, Global Group | Â     |

## Signatures

Louis E. Stellato,  
Attorney-in-fact

08/23/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Of shares listed, 23,000 are restricted.

Represents the approximate number of shares of common stock for which the Reporting Person has the right to direct the vote under The Sherwin-Williams Company Employee Stock Purchase and Savings Plan per the trustee's 8/18/05 statement. Shares of common stock are not directly allocated to the Plan participants, but are instead held in a unitized fund consisting primarily of common stock and a small percentage of short-term investments. Participants acquire units of this fund.

Â

### Remarks:

Exhibit 24, Power of Attorney, is attached.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *See* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.