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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement DOW CHEMICAL CO /DE/ [DOW] Weideman William H (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2030 DOW CENTER (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) MIDLAND. MIÂ 48674 Form filed by More than One Vice President & Controller Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 48,806.109 Common Stock 1,265.607 I by 401(k) Plan Common Stock 1,453.691 Ι by 401(k) Plan ESOP Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. 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)

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

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		(Instr. 4)			Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(2)	02/12/2007	Common Stock	4,500	\$ 26.6458	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(3)	02/27/2008	Common Stock	9,000	\$ 30.5208	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(4)	02/16/2009	Common Stock	12,000	\$ 31.1042	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(5)	02/16/2010	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 36.0208	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(6)	03/02/2011	Common Stock	6,000	\$ 33.94	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(7)	02/15/2012	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 30.425	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(8)	02/14/2013	Common Stock	12,250	\$ 27.4	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(9)	02/13/2014	Common Stock	11,670	\$ 43.49	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(10)	02/18/2015	Common Stock	13,340	\$ 53.525	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	(11)	03/01/2016	Common Stock	16,190	\$ 43.675	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Weideman William H 2030 DOW CENTER MIDLAND, MI 48674	Â	Â	Vice President & Controller	Â		

Signatures

William H. Weideman, Vice President & O5/04/2006

**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) Granted under The Dow Chemical Company 1988 Award and Option Plan, a Rule 16b-3 plan. The Plan provides for tax withholding rights.

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- (2) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 1998.
- (3) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 27, 1999.
- (4) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2000.
- (5) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2001.
- (6) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 2, 2002.
- (7) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 15, 2003.
- (8) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 14, 2004.
- (9) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 13, 2005.
- (10) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 18, 2006.
- (11) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2007.

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