

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Witzeman Michael D</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 2600 CHEMED CENTER 255 EAST FIFTH STREET (Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2017	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CHEMED CORP [CHE]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>vice president and controller</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)
capital stock	5,136	D	

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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
performance stock units	(1)	(1)	capital stock 265	(2)	D	
performance stock units	(3)	(3)	capital stock 265	(2)	D	
performance stock units	(4)	(4)	capital stock 632	(2)	D	
performance stock units	(5)	(5)	capital stock 604	(2)	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(6)	11/08/2023	capital stock 3,551	70.3	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(7)	11/07/2024	capital stock 6,000	106.59	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(8)	11/06/2020	capital stock 6,000	157.36	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	(9)	11/04/2021	capital stock 10,000	135.85	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The restricted stock units vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain Earnings per Share performance targets over a performance period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 with the determination of such performance level to be made no later than March 15, 2018 and earned shares of Capital Stock to be delivered thereafter.
- each performance stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Chemed capital stock
- The restricted stock units vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain Total Shareholder Return performance targets over a performance period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017 with the determination of such performance level to be made no later than March 15, 2018 and earned shares of Capital Stock to be delivered thereafter.
- PSU's vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain performance targets over a performance period of January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2018. The determination of the performance level is to be made by March 15, 2019 and earned shares to be delivered thereafter.
- PSU's vest based on the extent to which the Company achieves certain performance targets over a performance period of January 1, 2017 - December 31, 2019. The determination of the performance level is to be made by March 15, 2020 and earned shares to be delivered thereafter
- Vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/8/2014.
- Vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/7/2015
- vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/6/2016.
- Vesting in three equal annual installments commencing 11/04/2017

Remarks:

Michael D. Witzeman 04/07/2017
 ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

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