

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEE SPENCER S</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 2500 CHEMED CENTER 255 EAST 5TH STREET (Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CHEMED CORP [CHE]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) X executive vice president
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2004	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
capital stock	09/30/2004		s		500	D	\$55.75	11,628	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
stock option(right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	\$32.19							05/17/2003	05/17/2009	capital stock		19,000	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	\$36.9							11/20/2005 ⁽¹⁾	05/20/2012	capital stock		14,000	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	\$35.85							11/19/2006 ⁽²⁾	05/19/2013	capital stock		15,000	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding)	\$43.55							11/17/2004	05/17/2014	capital stock		17,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. exercisable in four equal annual installments commencing 11/20/2002
- 2. exercisable in four equal annual installments commencing 11/19/2003

Remarks:

s/s spencer s. lee 10/01/2004

** 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 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).

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