

ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND CO

Form 4

December 22, 2004

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
PETERSON BRIAN F

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ARCHER DANIELS MIDLAND  
CO [ADM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
4666 FARIES PARKWAY  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

DECATUR, IL 62526

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

(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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	12/21/2004		M		2,050	A	\$ 13.6871	110,399 D
Common Stock	12/21/2004		M		11,944	A	\$ 9.0703	122,343 D
Common Stock	12/21/2004		M		3	A	\$ 12.5333	122,346 D
Common Stock	12/21/2004		F		6,271	D	\$ 21.75	116,075 D
Common Stock							29,738.93 <sup>(1)</sup>	I Employee Benefit Plan

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

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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)	\$ 13.6871	12/21/2004		M		2,050		<u>(2)</u>	04/17/2007	Common Stock	2,050
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.0703	12/21/2004		M		11,944		<u>(3)</u>	05/01/2010	Common Stock	11,944
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5333	12/21/2004		M		3		<u>(4)</u>	08/02/2006	Common Stock	3

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETERSON BRIAN F  
4666 FARIES PARKWAY  
DECATUR, IL 62526

Senior Vice President

## Signatures

Stuart E. Funderburg, Attorney-in-Fact for Brian F.  
Peterson

12/22/2004

\_\_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) Between November 18, 2004 and December 21, 2004, the reporting person acquired 101.47 shares of ADM common stock pursuant to an employee benefit plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated December 21, 2004.
- (2) The option becomes exercisable in approximately 11.1% increments annually commencing on April 17, 1998.
- (3) The option was granted in three tranches (A, B and C). The option becomes exercisable in eight equal installments commencing on May 1, 2002; provided that the three tranches are exercisable sequentially commencing with Tranche A.
- (4) The options becomes exercisable in 25% increments annually commencing on August 2, 2002.

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