

SERVICEMASTER CO  
Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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 Goettel Lisa		(Month/Day/Year)	SERVICEMASTER CO [SVM]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/14/2005	
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
DOWNERS GROVE,Â ILÂ 60515-1700			<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
			Senior Vice President HR	

**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 \$.01 par value	5,660	D	Â
Common stock \$.01 par value	67	I	Deferred Comp

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**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)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/18/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/17/2013	Common Stock	3,333	\$ 9.88	D	Â
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	02/13/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/12/2014	Common stock \$.01 par value	2,500	\$ 10.73	D	Â
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	02/11/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/10/2015	Common stock \$.01 par value	12,500	\$ 13.44	D	Â
2003 EIP Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/01/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	10/31/2014	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 12.78	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Goettel Lisa 3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600 DOWNS GROVE, IL 60515-1700	Â	Â	Â Senior Vice President HR	Â

## Signatures

Sandra L. Groman by power of attorney  
Date: 04/14/2005

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) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.
- (2) The stock appreciation right is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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