

SERVICEMASTER CO  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 \*  
SCHEIHING BETTY JANE

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600  
(Street)

DOWNERS  
GROVE, IL 60515-1700

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SERVICEMASTER CO [SVM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/14/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 |   | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |                                  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|---|------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                | V | Amount  | (A) or (D) |   |  |                                   | Price                            |
| Common stock \$.01 par value    | 02/14/2006                           |  | A                   |   | 4,618   | A          | \$ 0  | 18,917   | D                                 |                                  |
| Common stock \$.01 par value    |                                      |  |                     |   |   |            |   | 146,410 <sup>(1)</sup>                                   | I                                 | by spouse                        |
| Common stock \$.01 par value    |                                      |  |                     |   |   |            |   | 35,000   | I                                 | by spouse as sole trustee of CRT |
|                                 |                                      |  |                     |   |   |            |   | 86,299   | I                                 |                                  |

Common stock \$.01 par value

by spouse through Dir. Def. Fee Trust

Common stock \$.01 par value

4,042 <sup>(2)</sup> I

Dir. Def Fee Trust

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) | 8. Price or Amount of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| 2001 Dir. Stock Option (Right to Buy)      | \$ 9.96  |                                      |  | Code V                         | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable: 05/21/2004<br>Expiration Date: 05/20/2013 | Common Stock  | Amount or Number of Shares: 7,500                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SCHEIHING BETTY JANE<br>3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600<br>DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515-1700 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

Sandra L. Groman by power of  
attorney

02/16/2006

\_\_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) Acquisition of shares by spouse through a stock option exercise. Spouse is a former director.
- (2) Directors Deferred Fee Trust includes 136 shares acquired through the dividend reinvestment feature of the plan for the period of January through December 2005.
- (3) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.

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