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March 9, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 3, 2005

EASTMAN CHEMICAL COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-12626 62-1539359

(State or (Commission (I.R.S. other File Number) employer jurisdiction of incorporation or or organization)

100 N. Eastman
Road, Kingsport, TN
(Address of principal executive offices)

37660
(Zip
Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (423) 229-2000

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Item 5.02(d) -- Election of Directors

The Board of Directors of Eastman Chemical Company on March 3, 2005 elected Michael P. Connors as a director effective March 15, 2005. Mr. Connors will serve in the class of directors for which the term in office expires at Eastman's Annual Meeting of Stockholders in May 2005, and will serve as a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, the Compensation and Management Development Committee, the Finance Committee, and the Health, Safety, Environmental and Security Committee, of the Board.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

Eastman Chemical Company

By: /s/ Curtis E. Espeland Curt E. Espeland Vice President and Controller

Date: March 9, 2005