BRADLEY WADE

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BRADLEY WADE**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

OIL DRI CORPORATION OF AMERICA [ODC]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2004

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) Vice President

410 N. MICHIGAN AVE., SUITE 400

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

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CHICAGO, IL 60611-4213

(eng)	(State)	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect				
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(msu. 3 and 4)					
Common Stock	12/10/2004		M <u>(1)</u>	2,200	A	\$ 8.1875	2,206	D				
Common Stock	12/10/2004		S	2,200	D	\$ 17.25	6	D				

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)		3	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 0						09/23/2005	09/23/2013	Class A Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 6.15						10/12/2003	10/12/2011	Common Stock	10,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9.5625						09/19/2002	09/19/2010	Common Stock	20,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 11.25						09/18/2000	09/18/2008	Common Stock	16,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 11.39						06/10/2005	06/10/2013	Common Stock	10,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.125						10/05/1997	10/05/2005	Common Stock	4,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 8.1875	12/10/2004		M <u>(1)</u>		2,200	03/14/2002	03/14/2010	Common Stock	2,200	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRADLEY WADE 410 N. MICHIGAN AVE. SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60611-4213

Vice President

Signatures

Maryon Gray by Power of Attorney

12/13/2004

**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) Exercise of employee stock options pursuant to the Oil-Dri Corporation of America 1995 Long-Term Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3.

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