

SERVICEMASTER CO
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SCHEIHING BETTY JANE

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SERVICEMASTER CO [SVM]
 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2004

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting
 (check applicable line)

DOWNERS
 GROVE, IL 60515-1700

 (City) (State) (Zip)

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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)	(A) or (D)	Amount or Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock \$.01 par value							10,393	D	
Common stock \$.01 par value	11/01/2004		G	14,000	D	\$ 0	147,785	I	by spouse
Common stock \$.01 par value	12/02/2004		G	11,500	D	\$ 0	136,285	I	by spouse

Common stock \$.01 par value	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	35,000	I	by spouse as sole trustee of CRT
Common stock \$.01 par value	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	86,299 ⁽¹⁾	I	by spouse through 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. Amount or Number of Shares
2001 Dir. Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.96	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	Date Exercisable: 05/21/2004 Expiration Date: 05/20/2013	Common Stock	7,500

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Sandra L. Groman by power of
attorney

02/14/2005

__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) Includes 1,519 shares acquired through the dividend reinvestment feature of the plan from August through December 2004.

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

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