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FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KAPUT JIM L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SERVICEMASTER CO [SVM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600		SUITE 600	(Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2006	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP & General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
DOWNERS				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

GROVE, IL 60515-1700

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock \$.01 par value			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	50,683	D	
Common stock \$.01 par value	03/22/2006		S	6,108	D	\$ 12.95	9,770 (1)	I	through 401(k) plan
Common stock \$.01 par value							400	I	Cust. for children
Common							5,347 <u>(2)</u>	I	Deferred

stock \$.01 Comp par value

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.83					02/08/2003	02/07/2009	Common Stock	85,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.87					05/04/2000	05/03/2006	Common Stock	541
2000 Emplee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.88					03/18/2004	03/17/2013	Common Stock	26,667
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 10.73					02/13/2005	02/12/2014	Common Stock	30,000
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 12.45					02/14/2007	02/13/2016	Common Stock	55,000
2003 EIP Stock	\$ 13.44					02/11/2006	02/10/2015	Common Stock	50,000

Counsel

Appreciation Right

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KAPUT JIM L

3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600 General

Signatures

Sandra L. Groman by power of attorney

03/23/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515-1700

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) 6,108 shares sold through personal IRA.
- (2) Includes 92 shares acquired through the dividend reinvestment feature of the ServiceMaster Deferred Compensation Plan during the months of July through December 2005.
- In 1999, ServiceMaster entered into a joint venture with Kleiner, Perkins, Caufield & Byers to develop an Internet company, We Serve (3) Homes.com ("WSH"). A WSH option was granted in 2000. On January 11, 2002, the WSH option was converted into a ServiceMaster option at a ratio of 55.48 to 1, pursuant to a merger with a subsidiary of ServiceMaster in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-7.
- (4) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.
- (5) 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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