

CROMIE SCOTT J

Form 4

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FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CROMIE SCOTT J

(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)
08/24/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

AHS - PRESIDENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)	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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Common stock \$.01 par value	08/24/2005		M		30,375	A \$ 9.2593	98,506 ⁽¹⁾ D
Common stock \$.01 par value	08/24/2005		S		30,375	D \$ 13.6408	68,131 ⁽¹⁾ D
Common stock \$.01 par value							4,120 ⁽²⁾ I 401(k) plan
Common							9,280 I by spouse

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stock \$.01 par value				
Common stock \$.01 par value	1,041 ⁽³⁾	I		Deferred Comp
Common stock \$.01 par value	880	I		Cust. for children
Common stock \$.01 par value	160	I		Cust. for nephew

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
1997 Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.2222					02/13/1998 02/12/2007	Common stock \$.01 par value	36,0
1998 Emplée. Stock Option(Right to Buy)	\$ 11.5					12/10/2000 12/31/2009	Common stock \$.01 par value	36,5
1998 Emplée. Stock Option(Right to Buy)	\$ 18.075					01/29/2000 01/28/2009	Common stock \$.01 par value	25,0
1998 Emplée. Stock Option(Right	\$ 18.075					01/29/2000 01/15/2014	Common stock \$.01 par	21,0

to Buy)								value	
1998 Employee Stock Option(Right to Buy)	\$ 18.2583					02/16/1999	02/15/2008	Common stock \$.01 par value	27,0
10+ Option Share Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.2593	08/24/2005	M	30,375	02/16/1997	02/15/2006		Common stock \$.01 par value	30,3
WSH Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.87					05/04/2000	05/03/2006	Common stock \$.01 par value	1,0
2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.75					08/08/2001	08/07/2007	Common stock \$.01 par value	40,0
2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.88					03/18/2004	03/17/2013	Common stock \$.01 par value	30,0
2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.3					12/18/2003	12/17/2009	Common stock \$.01 par value	45,0
2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.52					03/16/2002	03/15/2008	Common stock \$.01 par value	50,0
2000 Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.83					02/08/2003	02/07/2009	Common stock \$.01 par value	35,0
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 10.73					02/13/2005	02/12/2014	Common Stock	25,0
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 13.44					02/11/2006	02/10/2015	Common Stock	32,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROMIE SCOTT J 3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600 DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515-1700			AHS - PRESIDENT	

Signatures

Sandra L. Groman by power of attorney

08/26/2005

__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 78 shares purchased through the ServiceMaster Employee Share Purchase Plan during the months of April through June 2005.
- (2) Includes 34 shares purchased through the ServiceMaster Profit Sharing and Retirement Plan during the month of May 2005.
- (3) Includes 16 shares purchased through the dividend reinvestment feature of the Deferred Compensation Plan in February and May 2005.

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