Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SMITH LAWRENCE S</u> (Last) (First) (Middle 7201 HAMILTON BOULEVARD		(Middle)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AIR PRODUCTS &amp; CHEMICALS INC /DE/</u> [ APD ]     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     09/23/2004	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
(Street) ALLENTOWN (City)	LLENTOWN PA 18195		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Table I - Non-D	Perivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi	cially 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)			Securities	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)

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. Transa Code ( 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Phantom Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0.00	09/23/2004		A		80.6215		08/08/1988 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock	80.6215	\$53.75	1,180.6215	D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

1. Phantom deferred stock units (Units) acquired under the Air Products Stock Account of the issuer's Deferred Compensation Program for Directors, of the Company's Long-Term Incentive Plan (the Plan). Under the Plan, all non-employee directors are credited with Units for the portion of their Board retainer required to be received in this form and they are permitted to defer receiving payment of all or a portion of the remainder of their Board and Committee retainers and meeting fees.

2. These units are generally payable in the form of shares of Common Stock equal in number to the units, after the reporting person's service on the issuer's Board of Directors ends, in a lump sum or up to ten installments as elected by the reporting person in advance.

## By: Linda M. Svoboda as Attorny in Fact

09/30/2004

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $\ast$  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).

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