## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GADOMSKI ROBERT E  (Last) (First) (Middle)  7201 HAMILTON BOULEVARD				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AIR PRODUCTS & CHEMICALS INC /DE/ [ APD ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2003								Officer below)	able) r (give title	Person(s) to Is  10% C Other below; ases & Equip.	wner (specify		
(Street) ALLENTOWN PA 18195  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (ChecLine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One I Person										Reporting Pers	on	
Table I - Non-Deriv  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				saction	2A. Deemed Execution Date,		, Transaction Disposed O Code (Instr.		f, or Beneficially les Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	5. Amount of Securities Fo Beneficially (D) Owned Following (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			12/1	12/16/2003				M		17,000	A	\$23.12	2 62,	62,350			
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Common Stock			12/1	.7/2003				I		233.935	6 D	\$52.06	6 0.0	0.0000		By RSSOP <sup>(1)</sup>	
Common Stock													1	143		By Spouse	
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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. Transacti Code (Ins					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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: ly Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisab	le	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
1995 Stock Options <sup>(4)</sup>	\$23.12	12/16/2003			M			17,000	08/08/198	8 <sup>(5)</sup>	10/04/2004	Common Stock	17,000	\$0	0.0000	) D	
1995 Rights <sup>(2)</sup>	\$0.00 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/16/2003			<b>J</b> (2)			17,000	08/08/198	8(3)	10/04/2004	Common Stock	17,000	\$0	0.0000	) D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares represented by units of interest in the Company Stock Fund held under the issuer's Retirement Savings and Stock Ownership Plan.
- 2. These Rights were cancelled upon the exercise of the Options described herein.
- 3. Rights have exercise dates only during a 30 day period following a change in control of the Company (as defined in the LTIP).
- 4. Employee Stock Options (Options) granted under the issuer's Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP). Exercise of these Options cancels the related Rights described herein on a one-for-one basis.
- $5.\ One-third\ became\ exercisable\ 10/3/95;\ one-third\ became\ exercisable\ 10/3/96;\ and\ one-third\ became\ exercisable\ 10/3/97.$

# Remarks:

By: Linda M. Svoboda as Attorney in Fact 12/17/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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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