VULCAN MATERIALS CO

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMACK JAMES W		2. Issue Symbol	er Name an	d Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
				TERIALS CO [VMC]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date o	f Earliest T	Cransaction				
			(Month/I	Day/Year)		Director	10%	Owner	
1200 URBA	N CENTER DE	RIVE	12/08/2	2004		_X_ Officer (give below)	e title Other below)	er (specify	
						Sr. VP, Co	onstruction Mat	erials	
(Street)			4. If Amo	endment, D	ate Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Dat	e 2A. Deei	med	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Executio	n Date, if	Transacti	on(A) or Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any		Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficia	

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. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
					(A) or	D.	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/08/2004		Code V M	Amount 22,100	(D)	Price \$ 18.85	54,944	D	
Common Stock	12/08/2004		S	22,100	D	\$ 53	32,844	D	

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)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		vative Expiration Date rities (Month/Day/Year) rired (A) sposed of 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.85	12/08/2004		M		22,100	05/17/1997(1)	05/17/2006	Common Stock	22,100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMACK JAMES W 1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242

Sr. VP, Construction Materials

Signatures

By: Amy M. Tucker, Attorney-in-Fact

**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) The option vests over five years in 20% increments each year on the anniversary of the grant date.

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