

MONSANTO CO /NEW/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Preete Kerry J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD.  
  
(Street)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63167

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/16/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP, Commercial & Pres. Roundup

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	10/16/2009		M		17,040	A	\$ 29.2175	41,706	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2009		M		13,734	A	\$ 44.06	55,440	D	
Common Stock	10/16/2009		S		30,774	D	\$ 77.6587 (1)	24,666	D	
Common Stock								5,465	I	By 401(k) Plan

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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.2175	10/16/2006		M	17,040	11/15/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 10/28/2015	Common Stock	17,040
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 44.06	10/16/2009		M	13,734	11/15/2007 <sup>(3)</sup> 10/26/2016	Common Stock	13,734

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Preete Kerry J 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167			VP, Commercial & Pres. Roundup	

## Signatures

Jennifer L. Woods,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/19/2009

\*\*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).

This price represents the weighted average sale price for multiple transactions reported on this line. The price of the transactions reported on this line ranged from \$77.57 to 77.83. Upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, the reporting person will undertake to provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

One-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2006, one-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2007 and one-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2008, subject to the terms of the Monsanto Company Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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- One-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2007, one-third of the options became exercisable on November 15, 2008  
(3) and one-third of the options become exercisable on November 15, 2009, subject to the terms of the Monsanto Company Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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