#### SERVICEMASTER CO

Form 4

February 16, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KAPUT JIM L			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SERVICEMASTER CO [SVM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600		JITE 600	02/14/2006	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP & General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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# GROVE, IL 60515-1700

(City)	(State) (2	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
stock \$.01 par value	02/14/2006		A	18,333	A	\$0	81,555	D	
Common stock \$.01 par value							15,770	I	through 401(k) plan
Common stock \$.01 par value							400	I	Cust. for children
Common							5,300 (1)	I	Deferred

stock \$.01 Comp par value

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Securit Acquire	tive ies ed (A) oosed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 8.75						08/08/2001	08/07/2007	Common Stock	10,0
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 10.52						03/16/2002	03/15/2008	Common Stock	15,0
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 11.4125						04/01/2001	03/31/2010	Common Stock	50,0
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.83						02/08/2003	02/07/2009	Common Stock	85,0
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 13.87						05/04/2000	05/03/2006	Common Stock	54
2000 Emplee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.88						03/18/2004	03/17/2013	Common Stock	66,6

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2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 10.73				02/13/2005	02/12/2014	Common Stock	50,0
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 12.45	02/14/2006	A	55,000	02/14/2007	02/13/2016	Common Stock	55,0
2003 EIP Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 13.44				02/11/2006	02/10/2015	Common Stock	50,0

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
KAPUT JIM L			Sr. VP &					
3250 LACEY ROAD, SUITE 600			General					
DOWNERS GROVE, IL 60515-1700			Counsel					

## **Signatures**

Sandra L. Groman by power of attorney 02/16/2006

\*\*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 92 shares acquired through the dividend reinvestment feature of the ServiceMaster Deferred Compensation Plan during the months of July through December 2005.
- (2) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.
- In 1999, ServiceMaster entered into a joint venture with Kleiner, Perkins, Caufield & Byers to develop an Internet company, We Serve (3) Homes.com ("WSH"). A WSH option was granted in 2000. On January 11, 2002, the WSH option was converted into a ServiceMaster option at a ratio of 55.48 to 1, pursuant to a merger with a subsidiary of ServiceMaster in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-7.
- (4) The stock appreciation right is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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