#### MONSANTO CO /NEW/

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad GRANT HU	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MONSANTO CO /NEW/ [MON]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction	( and officers)			
800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD.		VD.	(Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2008	_X_ Director 10% Owner Specify Other (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ST. LOUIS, I	MO 63167		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
51. LOUIS, 1	10 05107			Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - No	on-I	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securit nor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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)
Common Stock	08/14/2008		G	V	305	D	\$ 0	485,415	D	
Common Stock	08/31/2008		F		30,701 (1)	D	\$ 115.82	454,714	D	
Common								5,436	I	By 401(k)

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)			,	Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GRANT HUGH 800 N. LINDBERGH BLVD. ST. LOUIS, MO 63167	X		Chairman, President & CEO			

### **Signatures**

Christopher A. Martin, Attorney-in-Fact 09/03/2008

\*\*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) On August 31, 2008, 74,880 restricted stock units became fully vested for which taxes became due and payable. 30,701 restricted stock units were used for the payment of these taxes.

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