PALENSKY FRED J

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PALENSKY FRED J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 3M CO [MMM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
3M CENTER			(Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2012	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specifically) EXEC VP R&D & CHF TECH OF		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/16/2012		M	5,186 (1)	A	\$ 84.83	51,793	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2012		S	5,186 ₍₁₎	D	\$ 90	46,607	D	

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

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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 (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securit
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numb of Share
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy	\$ 84.83	03/16/2012		M	5,186 (1)	11/14/2007	05/14/2012	Common Stock	5,1

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PALENSKY FRED J EXEC VP
3M CENTER R&D & CHF
ST. PAUL, MN 55144-1000 TECH OFF

Signatures

George Ann Biros, attorney-in-fact for Fred J.
Palensky
03/19/2012

**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 sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 2, 2011.

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