FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JAFFEE RICHARD M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OIL DRI CORPORATION OF AMERICA [ODC]								cable) or r (give title	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (I 410 N. MICHIGAN AVE. SUITE 400			(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2005								below)	below)	
(Street) CHICAGO IL (City) (State)			60611-4213 (Zip)					te of Original	,		, ,	Li	X Form Form Perso	filed by One R filed by More t n	ling (Check Ap eporting Perso han One Repo	n
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			Table II - Der								of, or Be	eneficially	Transac (Instr. 3			
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		5. Number of					vertible securiti 7. Title and Amou Securities Underly Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		ration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Class B Stock	\$0							(1)	(1	1)	Common Stock	100		100	D	
Class B Stock	\$0							(1)	(1	1)	Common Stock	214,946.5	5	214,946.5	I	Partnership1
Class B Stock	\$0							(1)	(1	1)	Common Stock	214,946.5	5	214,946.5	I	Partnership2
Class B Stock	\$0	01/27/2005		G ⁽²⁾	v	386		(1)	(1	1)	Common Stock	386	\$0	232,001	I	Trust1 ⁽³⁾
Class B	\$0	01/27/2005		G ⁽⁴⁾	v	386		(1)	(1	1)	Common	386	\$0	94,100	I	Trust2 ⁽⁵⁾

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Class B Stock may be converted at any time at the option of the holder into Common Stock on a share for share basis. See note 134 to SEC Release 34-288691
- 2. Transfer from Richard M. Jaffee Annuity Trust, Daniel S. Jaffee Trustee, to Richard M. Jaffee Revocable Trust, Richard M. Jaffee Trustee
- 3. Richard M. Jaffee as Trustee under the Richard M. Jaffee Revocable Trust dated 6/21/74, as amended.
- 4. Transfer from Shirley H. Jaffee Annuity Trust, Daniel S. Jaffee Trustee, to Shirley H. Jaffee Declaration Trust, Shirley H. Jaffee Trusteee
- 5. Shirley H. Jaffee (spouse of Richard M. Jaffee) as Trustee under the Shirley Jaffee Declaration of Trust dated 7/12/93.

Maryon Gray by Power of 01/31/2005 **Attorney**

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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).

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