FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WARD TOM L					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP [ CHK ]							(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
THE TOTAL													X Directo	r		10% Ow	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2003								X Officer below)	(give title	Other (sp below)		pecify	
						03/23/2003							President & COO					
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(City) (State) (Zip)													X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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		Tal	ole I - Non-	Derivat	ve Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, D	ispos	ed o	f, or Be	neficiall	y Owned					
Date				2. Transacti Date Month/Day	Execution Date,			3. 4. Securities Acqu Disposed Of (D) (Ir Code (Instr. r) 8)				Beneficia Owned F	s Illy ollowing	Form (D) or	n: Direct     r Indirect     istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code V	Am	ount	(A) o	r Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ction(s)			instr. 4)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Code	Fransaction of Code (Instr. Derivati			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	ation	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
6.75% Cumulative Convertible Preferred	0	05/23/2003		P		30,000		05/23/2003	08/08/1	1988	Common Stock	194,805	\$77.64	\$211,5	500	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Each share of 6.75% Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock is convertible, at any time at the option of the holder, into 6.4935 shares of common stock. The preferred stock is perpetual and there is no expiration of the conversion right.

By: Jennifer M. Grigsby For:

Tom L. Ward

05/27/2003

\*\* 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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