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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] $\underline{\text{WARD TOM L}}$		rson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP [CHK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
				X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Last)(First)(Middle)6100 N. WESTERN AVE.			07/09/2004		President &	COO			
(Street) OKLAHOMA CITY	OK	73118	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi ⁱ Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	-		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/09/2004		A		312,500	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	9,058,724	D	
Common Stock								1,668,429	Ι	by Corporation
Common Stock								7,145	I	by Daughter
Common Stock								14,290	Ι	by Son

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Instr. ce of ivative (Month/Day/Year) 8)			of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D)	erivative (Month/Day/Year) ecurities c.cquired A) or isposed f (D) nstr. 3, 4			7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	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	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

<u>By: Jennifer M. Grigsby For:</u> Tom L. Ward

<u>07/13/2004</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 \ast If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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