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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 [*] OCONNOR JAMES E		n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>REPUBLIC SERVICES INC</u> [RSG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
					Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		. X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
110 S.E. 6TH STREET		(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2004		Chairman/Chief Execu	itive Offic			
28TH FLOOR									
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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)	Code (4. Securities A Disposed Of (D		, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	02/27/2004		A		650.2127 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$26.24	41,453.9027	D	

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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of E		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Acquired under the Republic Services, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan.

Remarks:

By: David A. Barclay,

Attorney-In-Fact

03/01/2004

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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