Vulcan Materials CO Form 4 January 31, 2008

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JAMES DONALD M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Vulcan Materials CO [VMC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2008	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BIRMINGHA	AM, AL 352	242	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired ction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/29/2008		M	20,000	A	\$ 32.95	283,979	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2008		F	8,954 (1)	D	\$ 73.59	275,025	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2008		F	4,253 (2)	D	\$ 73.59	270,772	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2008		M	15,000	A	\$ 32.95	285,772	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2008		F	6,559 (1)	D	\$ 75.35	279,213	D	

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Common Stock 01/30/2008 F $\frac{3,498}{(2)}$ D $\frac{\$}{75.35}$ 275,715 D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.95	01/29/2008		M	20,000	02/12/1999(3)	02/12/2008	Common Stock	20,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.95	01/30/2008		M	15,000	02/12/1999(3)	02/12/2008	Common Stock	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JAMES DONALD M 1200 URBAN CENTER DRIVE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35242	X		Chairman & CEO				

Signatures

By: Amy M. Tucker, Attorney-in-Fact 01/31/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Mature VMC shares deemed tendered for option exercise price.
- (2) Shares withheld by Company for tax withholding.
- (3) The option vests over five years in 20% increments each year on the anniversary of the grant date.

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