#### OIL DRI CORP OF AMERICA

Form 4 June 03, 2008

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DONALD ARNOLD W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OIL DRI CORP OF AMERICA

(Check all applicable)

[ODC]

(Month/Day/Year)

06/03/2008

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

MERISANT COMPANY, NO. 1 NORTH BRENTWOOD **BOULEVARD, SUITE 5** 

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

CLAYTON, MO 63105

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Code (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V Amount

Price (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

Common Stock

06/03/2008

12,500  $M^{(1)}$ (2)

\$  $12,500^{(2)}$ 11.7

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)

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De Sec	Fitle of rivative curity str. 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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	and s	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
OI	ock otions ight to y)	\$ 4.92						10/12/2002	10/12/2011	Common Stock	6,250
Op	ock otions ight to y)	\$ 6.4						12/04/2001	12/04/2010	Common Stock	12,500
O	ock otions ight to y)	\$ 13.072						12/03/2005	12/03/2014	Common Stock	6,250
Op	ock otions ight to y)	\$ 11.7	06/03/2008		M <u>(1)</u>		12,500	06/09/2000	06/09/2008	Common Stock	12,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

X

DONALD ARNOLD W MERISANT COMPANY

NO. 1 NORTH BRENTWOOD BOULEVARD, SUITE 5  $\,$ 

CLAYTON, MO 63105

## **Signatures**

Angela M. Hatseras by Power of Attorney 06/03/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **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) Exercise of director stock options pursuant to the Oil-Dri Corporation of America Outside Director Stock Plan in a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3.

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(2) The number of securities beneficially owned has been adjusted to reflect a stock dividend effective September 8, 2006 of 0.25 share for each share of the issuer's Common or Class B stock beneficially owned by the reporting person on August 4, 2006.

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