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(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LIBERT JEFFREY M		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OIL DRI CORPORATION OF AMERICA [ODC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 410 N. MIC	(First) HIGAN AVI	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/04/2005	Director 10% Owner Selection 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
CHICAGO,	(Street) IL 60611-42	13	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Tabl	le I - Non-L	Perivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/04/2005		Code V $M_{\underline{(1)}}$	3,000	(D)	Price \$ 9.5625	3,008	D	
Common Stock	04/04/2005		S	3,000	D	\$ 18.4	8	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		Derivative Expiration Date urities (Month/Day/Year) united or posed of tr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. D
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 9.5625	04/04/2005		M <u>(1)</u>		3,000	(2)	09/19/2010	Common Stock	3,000					

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LIBERT JEFFREY M								

410 N. MICHIGAN AVE. SUITE 400 CHICAGO, IL 60611-4213

Vice President

Signatures

Maryon Gray by Power of Attorney

04/05/2005 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 employee stock options pursuant to the Oil-Dri Corporation of America 1995 Long-Term Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3.
- (2) 25% of the shares will become exercisable on the 2nd anniversary of the grant date and an additional 25% on the 3rd, 4th and 5th anniversaries of the grant date.

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