

PARFET WILLIAM U
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <i>(Last, First, Middle)</i> Parfet, William U. <hr/>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Monsanto Company - MON <hr/>	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity <i>(Voluntary)</i> <hr/>
54943 N. Main Street <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Street)</i></p> Mattawan, MI 49071 <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(City) (State) (Zip)</i></p>	4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 9/18/02 <hr/>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> <hr/>
	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer <i>(Check All Applicable)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <i>(give title below)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify below)</i> <hr/>	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing <i>(Check Applicable Line)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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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).

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

1. Title of Security <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	2a. Deemed Execution Date, if any. <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>
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				(A) or Amount(D)	Price		
			Code V				
Common Stock	09/18/02		J(1)	648 A	\$16.08	26,775 (2)	D

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

1. Title of Derivative Security <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3a. Deemed Execution Date, if any <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	4. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>
					CodeV (A)(D)
					Option (right to buy) \$20.00

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

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	8. Price of Derivative Security <i>(Instr. 5)</i>	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
(3)	10/16/10	Common Stock	10,000	10,000	D

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents shares purchased in the open market by Pharmacia Corporation and distributed to the Reporting Person as part of such individual's compensation as a director of Pharmaica Corporation.
- (2) Includes 6,023 shares of deferred common stock deliverable under the Monsanto Company Non-Employee Director Equity Incentive Compensation Plan; 104 shares of common stock issued as dividends with respect to such deferred shares and 20,000 shares of common stock owned directly by the reporting person.
- (3) 50% of shares exercisable on March 15, 2002 and 50% of shares exercisable on March 15, 2003, subject to the terms of the Monsanto 2000 Management Incentive Plan.

*** Michael D. Bryan, attorney-in-fact for William U. Parfet pursuant to a Power of Attorney previously filed

/s/ Michael D. Bryan***	09/20/02
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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