

Wells Robert J
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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 *
 Wells Robert J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SHERWIN WILLIAMS CO [SHW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 101 W. PROSPECT AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/04/2017

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
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(Street)
 CLEVELAND, OH 44115

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/04/2017 | | M | | 647 A \$ 154.4325 | 18,363 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/04/2017 | | M | | 3,500 A \$ 180.46 | 21,863 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/04/2017 | | S | | 2,946 D \$ 409.11 (1) | 18,917 | D |
| Common Stock | 12/04/2017 | | F | | 494 D \$ 403.96 | 18,423 (2) | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 1,703.46 (3) | I Stock Plan |

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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 Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 154.4325 | 12/04/2017 | | M | 647 | 10/17/2015 10/16/2022 | Common Stock | 647 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 180.46 | 12/04/2017 | | M | 1,167 | 10/16/2014 10/15/2023 | Common Stock | 1,167 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 180.46 | 12/04/2017 | | M | 1,166 | 10/16/2015 10/15/2023 | Common Stock | 1,166 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 180.46 | 12/04/2017 | | M | 1,167 | 10/16/2016 10/15/2023 | Common Stock | 1,167 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |

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CLEVELAND, OH 44115

SVP-Corp
Comm & Public
Affairs

Signatures

Stephen J. Perisutti,
Attorney-in-fact

12/06/2017

**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).

- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$409.03 to \$409.19 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The Sherwin-Williams Company, any security holder of The Sherwin-Williams Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.
- (1) Of shares listed, 2,736 are restricted stock units.
 - (2) Represents the number of shares of common stock attributable to the reporting person's participation in The Sherwin-Williams Company Employee Stock Purchase and Savings Plan per the trustee's 9/30/2017 statement.
 - (3)

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