

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>WILLIAMS DAVID PATRICK</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>SUITE 2600, 255 EAST 5TH STREET</u>  (Street) <u>CINCINNATI OH 45202</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/05/2004</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ROTO-ROOTER INC [ RRR ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Vice President &amp; CFO</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Capital Stock	8,000	D	
Capital Stock	800	I	IRA

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
stock option (right to buy w/ tandem tax withholding right)	05/15/1998	05/15/2005	Capital Stock	1,500	32.19	D	
stock option (right to buy w/ tandem tax withholding right)	05/19/1999	05/19/2007	Capital Stock	2,000	35.94	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding right)	05/20/1998	05/20/2006	capital stock	3,000	38.75	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding right)	03/04/2000	03/04/2008	capital stock	4,000	39.13	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding right)	05/17/2001	05/17/2009	capital stock	12,000	32.19	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding right)	05/20/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/20/2012	capital stock	9,000	36.9	D	
stock option (right to buy with tandem tax withholding right)	11/19/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/19/2003	capital stock	10,000	35.85	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 9,000 granted, exercisable 4,500 currently, 2,250 on 11/20/04, 2,250 on 11/20/05
- 2. 10,000 granted, exercisable 2,500 currently, 2,500 on 11/19/04, 2,500 on 11/19/05, 2,500 on 11/19/06

David P. Williams

03/10/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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 5 (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).

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