CELANESE CORP
Reported by
TOWNSEND JAY

FORM 4
(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

Filed 05/06/08 for the Period Ending 05/02/08

Address	222 W. LAS COLINAS BLVD., SUITE 900N
	IRVING, TX, 75039-5421
Telephone	972-443-4000
CIK	0001306830
Symbol	CE
SIC Code	2820 - Plastic Material, Synthetic Resin/Rubber, Cellulos (No Glass)
Industry	Commodity Chemicals
Sector	Basic Materials
Fiscal Year	12/31

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Townsend Jay	**Celanese CORP [CE]**	____ Director ____ 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)	_X_ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
C/O CELANESE CORPORATION, 1601 W. LBJ FREEWAY	**5/2/2008**	**SVP, Corporate Development**
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
DALLAS, TX 75234		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Series A Common Stock	5/2/2008		G (1)	V	225	D	$0	85684	D	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

(1) The transaction reported herein reflects a gift by the reporting person of shares to a charity.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Townsend Jay C/O CELANESE CORPORATION 1601 W. LBJ FREEWAY DALLAS, TX 75234			**SVP, Corporate Development**	

Signatures

/s/ Alexander M. Ludlow, Attorney-in-Fact for Jay C. Townsend	**5/6/2008**
** Signature of Reporting Person	Date