#### REPUBLIC SERVICES INC

Form 4

March 12, 2003

## FORM 4

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#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
			(Check all applicable)
			_ Director
Name and Address of Reporting  Person *			_ 10% Owner
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		Officer (give title below)
(Last) (First) (Middle)		4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year)	
	Republic Services, Inc. (RSG)		X(1) Other (specify below)
1551 Eastlake Avenue E.		3/10/2003	
(Street)			•
Seattle WA 98102 (City) (State) (Zip)	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person
			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

of	Transaction Date (Month/Day/	Date, if any		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	2	or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		69,000	A	18.65			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P	V	1,000 Amount	(A) A (D)	18.73 Price			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		1,000	A	18.74			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		1,500	A	18.75			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		500	A	18.76			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		2,600	A	18.77			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		100	A	18.78			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		700	A	18.79			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		17,500	A	18.80			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		7,700	A	18.81			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		2,000	A	18.84			
Common Stock	3/10/2003	P		108,400	A	18.85	462,000	D	

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

	2. Conversion	2	3A. Deemed	4. Trans Code (Instr.		Secu Acq (A) Disp o <b>n</b> f (I (Inst	vativarities uired or oosed O) ar. 3,	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Tit Amou Unde Secur (Instr	ant of rlying		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities:	11 Notes
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/Day/ Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/ Year)					Date	Expiration		or Number of	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Natur of Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Shares				
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(1) The Reporting Person may be deemed to be a member of a Section 13(d) group that beneficially owns more than 10% of the issuer's outstanding Common Stock. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities other than those reported above, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such a group exists or that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities of such group for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

/s/ Michael Larson 3/10/03

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Date

** Signature of Repor	rting Person	

Attorney-in-fact.

Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated March 14, 2001, by and on behalf of William H. Gates III, filed as Exhibit B to Cascade Investment's Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D with respect to Pan American Silver Corp. on March 19, 2001, SEC File No. 005-52919, and incorporated by reference herein.

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).

\*\* 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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