

STERLING CHEMICALS INC  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
SASS MARTIN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
STERLING CHEMICALS INC  
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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/09/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

C/O RESURGENCE ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC, 1185 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 18TH FL.

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/09/2011		J(1)	(A) or (D)	9,888,831 (1) 0	I	See footnotes (2) (3) (4)

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Series A Convertible Preferred Stock	(1) (5)	08/09/2011		J(1)	8,299.289	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	9,888, (1)

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SASS MARTIN D  
C/O RESURGENCE ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC  
1185 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 18TH FL.  
NEW YORK, NY 10036

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## Signatures

/s/ Martin D.  
Sass

08/11/2011

\*\*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).

(1) The shares of the Issuer's common stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock") and the shares of the Issuer's Series A Preferred Stock beneficially owned by the Reporting Person (the "Preferred Stock"), in each case as reported herein (collectively, the "Subject Securities"), were disposed of pursuant to the terms of the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of June 22, 2011, by and among the Issuer, Eastman Chemical Company and Eastman TC, Inc. (the "Merger Agreement"). The effective date of the Merger Agreement was August 9, 2011. The Common Stock was disposed of in exchange for the right to receive the Common Stock Consideration (as defined in the Merger Agreement) and the Preferred Stock was disposed of in exchange for the right to receive the Preferred Stock Consideration (as defined in the Merger Agreement).

(2) The Subject Securities were disposed of for accounts managed or advised by, or beneficially owned by, Resurgence Asset Management, L.L.C. ("RAM"), Resurgence Asset Management International, L.L.C. ("RAMI"), Re/Enterprise Asset Management, L.L.C. ("REAM"), M.D. Sass Investors Services, Inc. ("MDSIS") and Resurgence Asset Management, L.L.C. Employment Retirement Plan (the "Plan"), respectively. Martin D. Sass serves as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer or Trustee of RAM, RAMI, REAM, MDSIS and the Plan as applicable, and exercises voting and investment power of the Subject Securities solely in his capacity as Chairman, Chief Executive Officer or Trustee of each of the foregoing entities.

(3) RAM exercises voting and investment power of certain of the Subject Securities solely in RAM's capacity as the general partner and/or investment advisor of Corporate Resurgence Partners, L.L.C., Corporate Resurgence Partners II, L.L.C., and M.D. Sass Corporate Resurgence Partners III, L.P. RAMI exercises voting control and investment power over of certain of the Subject Securities solely in

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RAMI's capacity as the investment advisor of Corporate Resurgence, Ltd. REAM exercises voting and investment power over of certain of the Subject Securities as the sole investment adviser to two employee pension plans, is the general partner and sole investment advisor of the M.D. Sass Associates, Inc. Employee Retirement Plan, M.D. Sass Re/Enterprise Portfolio Company, L.P. and M.D. Sass Re/Enterprise II, L.P.

- (4) In addition, MDSIS, the Plan and certain funds which have invested side-by-side with funds managed by RAM and RAMI beneficially own in the aggregate an additional 27,165 shares of Common Stock; and 141,921 shares of Preferred Stock (collectively, the "Other Securities"). Mr. Sass disclaims beneficial ownership interest in all securities reported herein except to the extent of his pecuniary interest, if any, in RAM, RAMI, REAM and the entities owning the Other Securities, including MDSIS and the Plan.
- (5) The Preferred Stock converts into the Common Stock on a one-for-one thousand basis.

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