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

FORM 3

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Resurgence Asset Management, L.L.C. <i>(Last) (First) (Middle)</i>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> 12/19/02	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity <i>(Voluntary)</i>
 10 New King Street <i>(Street)</i>	4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Sterling Chemicals, Inc. (Ticker Symbol: n/a)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer <i>(Check All Applicable)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <i>(give title below)</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify below)</i>
 White Plains NY 10604 <i>(City) (State) (Zip)</i>	6. If Amendment, Date of Original <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i> Not applicable	 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing <i>(Check Applicable Line)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

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).

Table I — Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

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Table II — Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (<i>e.g.</i> , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)						
1. Title of Derivative Security <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 5)</i>	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 5)</i>	
	Date Exer- cisable	Expi- ration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Preferred Stock	12/19/02	n/a	Common Stock	1,150,168	n/a	I (1)
Warrants	12/19/02	12/19/08	Common Stock	215,749	\$52	I (1)

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Resurgence Asset Management, L.L.C. (“RAM”) exercises voting and dispositive power over the Issuer’s securities solely in RAM’s capacity as the general partner and/or sole investment advisor of M.D. Sass Corporate Resurgence Partners, L.P., M.D. Sass Corporate Resurgence Partners II, L.P., M.D. Sass Corporate Resurgence Partners III, L.P., the Resurgence Asset Management, L.L.C. Employee Retirement Plan, and a separately managed account for a private corporation. In addition, funds which have invested side-by-side with funds managed by RAM and Resurgence Asset Management International, L.L.C. beneficially own an additional 68,883 shares of Issuer’s Common Stock in the aggregate.

/s/ James B. Rubin

**Signature of Reporting Person

December 19, 2002

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff (a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.