GRAINGER W W INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOWARD JOHN L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
100 GRAINC	GER PARKV	WAY	(Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2010	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP and General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)		
LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/17/2010		A	2,740	A	\$ 0	44,264	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2010		F	844	D	\$ 97.72	43,420	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option	\$ 45.5					04/30/2006	04/29/2013	Common Stock	25,000	
Option	\$ 54.14					04/28/2007	04/27/2014	Common Stock	12,000	
Option	\$ 52.29					04/27/2008	04/26/2015	Common Stock	13,000	
Option	\$ 76.61					04/26/2009	04/25/2016	Common Stock	10,000	
Option	\$ 83.08					04/25/2010	04/24/2017	Common Stock	10,000	
Option	\$ 85.82					04/30/2011	04/29/2018	Common Stock	11,000	
Option	\$ 81.49					04/29/2012	04/28/2019	Common Stock	21,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

HOWARD JOHN L 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

Sr. VP and General Counsel

Signatures

C. L. Kogi, as	
attorney-in-fact	02/19/2010
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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