

GRAINGER W W INC
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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 *
SLAVIK JAMES D

(Last) (First) (Middle)
100 GRAINGER PARKWAY
(Street)

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/17/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,460 A \$ 51.6875 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,860 A \$ 48.625 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 2,070 A \$ 43.5 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 D \$ 89.95 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 200 D \$ 89.99 | D | |
| | 12/17/2007 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 2,140 D \$ 90 | D | |

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|--------------|------------|------------------------|-----|---|-----------|-----------|---|-------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 700 | D | \$ 90.01 | 1,081,792 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.02 | 1,081,692 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.035 | 1,081,592 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.04 | 1,081,492 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 850 | D | \$ 90.05 | 1,080,642 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.06 | 1,080,542 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.07 | 1,080,442 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.075 | 1,080,342 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 200 | D | \$ 90.08 | 1,080,142 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.105 | 1,080,042 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 100 | D | \$ 90.11 | 1,079,942 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2007 | <u>S⁽¹⁾</u> | 400 | D | \$ 90.13 | 1,079,542 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 102,180 | I | See Footnote <u>(2)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 1,044,490 | I | See Footnote <u>(3)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 1,635,760 | I | See Footnote <u>(4)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 205,879 | I | See Footnote <u>(5)</u> |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 688 | I | See Footnote <u>(6)</u> |

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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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Units | (7) | | | | | (8) (8) | Common Stock | 9,055 |
| Stock Option | \$ 51.6875 | 12/17/2007 | | M | 1,460 | 04/29/2001 04/28/2008 | Common Stock | 1,460 |
| Stock Option | \$ 48.625 | 12/17/2007 | | M | 1,860 | 04/28/1999 04/27/2009 | Common Stock | 1,860 |
| Stock Option | \$ 43.5 | 12/17/2007 | | M | 2,070 | 04/26/2000 04/25/2010 | Common Stock | 2,070 |
| Stock Option | \$ 37.5 | | | | | 04/25/2001 04/24/2011 | Common Stock | 2,400 |
| Stock Option | \$ 54.61 | | | | | 04/24/2002 04/23/2012 | Common Stock | 1,650 |
| Stock Option | \$ 45.5 | | | | | 04/30/2003 04/29/2013 | Common Stock | 1,980 |
| Stock Option | \$ 54.14 | | | | | 04/28/2004 04/27/2014 | Common Stock | 1,670 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SLAVIK JAMES D 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201 | | X | | |

Signatures

J. L. Howard, as
attorney-in-fact

12/18/2007

__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) Transaction pursuant to a previously adopted Rule 10b5-1 trading program.
- (2) Shares held by trusts of which Mr. Slavik is a beneficiary and co-trustee.
- (3) Shares held by or FBO Mr. Slavik's children. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (4) Shares held by corporation of which Mr. Slavik is a shareholder, director & officer. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (5) Shares held by trusts of which Mr. Slavik is a co-trustee. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (6) Shares held by Mr. Slavik's wife. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (7) 1-for-1
- (8) The stock units are expected to settle in cash following termination of service as a director.

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