

GRAINGER W W INC
Form 4
September 16, 2011

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HOWARD JOHN L

(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)
09/15/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Sr. VP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	09/15/2011		M		12,000	A	\$ 54.14
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		100	D	\$ 159.38
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		810	D	\$ 159.42
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		101	D	\$ 159.4218
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		100	D	\$ 159.422

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Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	90	D	\$ 159.43	53,184	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	400	D	\$ 159.502	52,784	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	295	D	\$ 159.51	52,489	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	405	D	\$ 159.53	52,084	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 159.532	51,984	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 159.595	51,884	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 159.611	51,784	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	300	D	\$ 159.64	51,484	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 159.65	51,384	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	200	D	\$ 159.66	51,184	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	400	D	\$ 159.67	50,784	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	81	D	\$ 159.69	50,703	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 159.72	50,603	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	400	D	\$ 159.73	50,203	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	200	D	\$ 159.735	50,003	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 159.74	49,903	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	200	D	\$ 159.745	49,703	D

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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 54.14	09/15/2011		M		12,000		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
Option	\$ 108.15							04/28/2013	04/27/2020	Common Stock	19,500
Option	\$ 149.02							04/27/2014	04/26/2021	Common Stock	14,990

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

Martha Ha, as attorney
in fact

09/16/2011

**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).

Remarks:

This is the first of three Forms 4 to report all September 15, 2011 transactions for the reporting person.

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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