

OLeary Christopher D
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FORM 4

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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 *
 OLeary Christopher D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/11/2011

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

EVP, COO, International

NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD

(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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2011 | | M | | 13,800 | A | \$ 21.895 188,397 |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2011 | | S | | 13,800 | D | \$ 39.1043 174,597 <u>(1)</u> |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2011 | | M | | 80,000 | A | \$ 24.805 254,597 |
| Common Stock | 05/11/2011 | | S | | 80,000 | D | \$ 39.0093 174,597 <u>(2)</u> |
| | | | | | | | 2,117 I |

Common
Stock

by Trust
(3)

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.895 | 05/11/2011 | | M | 13,800 | 08/01/2001 ⁽⁴⁾ 09/01/2011 | Common Stock |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 24.805 | 05/11/2011 | | M | 80,000 | 12/17/2005 01/17/2012 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| OLEary Christopher D NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426 | | | EVP, COO, International | |

Signatures

By: Christopher A Rauschl For: Christopher D OLeary 05/12/2011

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1)

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Represents the weighted average of actual sale prices that range from \$39.09 to \$39.11. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any security holder of the company.

- (2) Represents the weighted average of actual sale prices that range from \$38.98 - \$39.11. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any security holder of the company.
- (3) Held in Trust by the Trustee of the General Mills Savings Plan.
- (4) 20% of the option vested on this date and on each of the next four anniversaries of this date
- (5) Employee option (right to buy) granted under shareholder-approved stock option plans.

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