

Mulligan Donal L  
 Form 4  
 September 20, 2012

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Mulligan Donal L

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)  
 NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/19/2012

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

Executive Vice President

(Street)  
 MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	09/19/2012		M		6,600 A \$ 21.93	163,191	D
Common Stock	09/19/2012		S		6,600 (1) D \$ 40	156,591	D
Common Stock	09/19/2012		M		35,400 A \$ 21.93	191,991	D
Common Stock	09/19/2012		S		35,400 (1) D \$ 40	156,591	D
Common Stock						3,694	I by Trust (2)

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.93	09/19/2012		M	6,600	12/16/2006 01/16/2013	Common Stock	6,600
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.93	09/19/2012		M	35,400	12/16/2006 01/16/2013	Common Stock	35,400

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Mulligan Donal L  
NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

Executive Vice President

## Signatures

By: Christopher A Rauschl For: Donal L Mulligan

09/20/2012

\_\_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) Shares were sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan dated January 25, 2012 .

(2) Held in Trust by the Trustee of the General Mills Savings Plan.

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