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1(b).

Stock Class B Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MAXWELL SHARON R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B]					ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/05/2005						(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Assistant Secretary		
	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
DELAWAR	E, OH 43015								Person	fore than one Re	porting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-	D	erivative :	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution		Code (Instr. 8))	4. Securit (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock	04/05/2005			M		1,000	A	\$ 24.25	1,000	D	
Class A Common	04/05/2005			S		1,000	D	\$ 73.4	0 (1)	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)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Options	\$ 24.25	04/05/2005		M		1,000	09/01/2001	09/01/2009	Class A Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	ixelationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MAXWELL SHARON R							

425 WINTER ROAD DELAWARE, OH 43015

Assistant Secretary

Relationshine

Signatures

Sharon R. Maxwell by John K. Dieker pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission.

04/05/2005

**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) The reporting person does not own any Greif Class A Common Stock.

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