

GRAINGER W W INC  
Form 4  
September 16, 2011

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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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 \*  
**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  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Sr. VP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		200	D	\$ 160.1 44,984
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		200	D	\$ 160.12 44,784
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		470	D	\$ 160.13 44,314
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		200	D	\$ 160.14 44,114
Common Stock	09/15/2011		S		30	D	\$ 160.16 44,084

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Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.17	43,984	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.23	43,884	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.26	43,784	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.27	43,684	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.29	43,584	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.36	43,484	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.43	43,384	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.435	43,284	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.44	43,184	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.442	43,084	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.45	42,984	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.464	42,884	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.65	42,784	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	15	D	\$ 160.75	42,769	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	84	D	\$ 160.76	42,685	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 160.792	42,585	D
Common Stock	09/15/2011	S	200	D	\$ 160.845	42,385	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## 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 third of three Forms 4 to report all September 15, 2011 transactions for the reporting person.  
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