#### GRAINGER DAVID W

Form 4

December 13, 2004

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* GRAINGER DAVID W Symbol GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Check all applicable)

12/10/2004

below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

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

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	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)
Common Stock	12/10/2004		G V	41,338 D \$0 (1)	7,339,454	D	
Common Stock					724,720	I	See footnote (2)
Common Stock					786,430	I	See footnote (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	f 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivativ	e Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director GRAINGER DAVID W

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY X LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

# **Signatures**

L. M. Trusdell, as 12/10/2004 attorney-in-fact

\*\*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) Disposition by gift.
- Shares held by trust, of which Mr. Grainger is co-trustee and income beneficiary. Mr. Grainger disclaims beneficial ownership as to such **(2)**
- Shares held by trusts, of which Mr. Grainger is co-trustee, FBO Mr. Grainger's wife. Mr. Grainger disclaims beneficial ownership as to (3) such shares.

#### **Remarks:**

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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