

HOBOR NANCY A
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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 *
HOBOR NANCY A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/27/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr VP-Communications & Inv Rel

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	04/27/2005		A		2,650 (1)	A	\$ 0 29,400 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 (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. Amount or Number of Shares
Option	\$ 42.8125					03/01/2003 02/28/2010	Common Stock	1,160
Option	\$ 43.5					04/26/2003 04/25/2010	Common Stock	7,100
Option	\$ 43.5					<u>(2)</u> 04/25/2010	Common Stock	1,070
Option	\$ 37.5					04/25/2004 04/24/2011	Common Stock	20,000
Option	\$ 37.5					04/25/2007 04/24/2011	Common Stock	710
Option	\$ 54.61					04/24/2005 04/23/2012	Common Stock	15,000
Option	\$ 45.5					04/30/2006 04/29/2013	Common Stock	15,000
Option	\$ 54.14					04/28/2007 04/27/2014	Common Stock	9,000
Option	\$ 52.29	04/27/2005		A	8,000	04/27/2008 04/26/2015	Common Stock	8,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOBOR NANCY A 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201			Sr VP-Communications & Inv Rel	

Signatures

L. M. Trusdell, as attorney-in-fact 04/29/2005

**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) Award of restricted stock units to be settled after vesting by the delivery of unrestricted shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis.
 - (2) Exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 4/26/2001.

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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