GRAINGER W W INC

Form 4 March 19, 2010

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOWARD JOHN L			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)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheek all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
100 GRAINGER PARKWAY			03/18/2010	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				Sr. VP and General Counsel		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or		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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/18/2010		Code V M	Amount 12,500	(D)	Price \$ 45.5	55,920	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		S	100	D	\$ 108.28	55,820	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		S	100	D	\$ 108.29	55,720	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		S	100	D	\$ 108.3	55,620	D	
Common Stock	03/18/2010		S	927	D	\$ 108.32	54,693	D	

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Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	100	D	\$ 108.395	54,593	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	400	D	\$ 108.42	54,193	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	800	D	\$ 108.44	53,393	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	400	D	\$ 108.48	52,993	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	200	D	\$ 108.5	52,793	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	300	D	\$ 108.51	52,493	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	300	D	\$ 108.52	52,193	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	400	D	\$ 108.53	51,793	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	100	D	\$ 108.54	51,693	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	100	D	\$ 108.55	51,593	D
Common Stock	03/18/2010	S	600	D	\$ 108.6	50,993	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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
Option	\$ 45.5	03/18/2010		M	12,500	04/30/2006	04/29/2013	Common Stock	12,500

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Option	\$ 54.14	04/28/2007	04/27/2014	Common Stock	12,000
Option	\$ 52.29	04/27/2008	04/26/2015	Common Stock	13,000
Option	\$ 76.61	04/26/2009	04/25/2016	Common Stock	10,000
Option	\$ 83.08	04/25/2010	04/24/2017	Common Stock	10,000
Option	\$ 85.82	04/30/2011	04/29/2018	Common Stock	11,000
Option	\$ 81.49	04/29/2012	04/28/2019	Common Stock	21,000

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

C. L. Kogl, as

attorney-in-fact 03/19/2010

**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 first of three Forms 4 to report all March 18, 2010 transactions for the reporting person.

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