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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0	Person*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GREIF INC</u> [ GEF,GEF.B ]		ationship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 425 WINTER ROAD		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/03/2009		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
(Street) DELAWARE OH 43015 (City) (State) (Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More the Person	oorting Person		
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code ( 8)	ction	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount (A) or (D) Price		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)

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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Numb of Derivati Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (II 3, 4 and	ive ies ed ed nstr.	6. Date ExerciSable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		e and 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock Units (Cash Only Rights)	\$51.33	08/03/2009		A		121.76		08/08/1988 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/08/1988 <sup>(1)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	121.76	\$51.33	4,949.78	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The units are to be settled in cash upon the reporting person's retirement from the Board.

<u>Vicki L. Avril by John K.</u>	
Dieker pursuant to a POA filed	08/03/2009
with the Commission.	

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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