FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DIEKER JOHN K</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B]								eck all ap _l Dire	olicable) ctor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 425 WINTER ROAD							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/14/2009									Officer (give title Of below) be VP and Treasurer		(specify	
(Street) DELAWARE OH 43015 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Lin	e) <mark>X</mark> Forn Forn	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 0) 8)					Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111301. 4)				
Class A C	ommon Sto	/2009	2009		A		3,083		A	\$32.0	3	4,414	D						
		Та	ble II - D								sed of, onvertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, y/Year)		ransaction ode (Instr.				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		b. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ John K. Dieker

01/14/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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