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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GREIF INC [ GEF,GEF,B ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
YOUNG RO	<u>BERI A</u>		[,]		Director	10% Owner					
(Last) 425 WINTER R	st) (First) (Middle) 5 WINTER ROAD		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/07/2005	X	Officer (give title below) VP and Director	Other (specify below) of Taxes					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	g (Check Applicable					
DELAWARE	OH	43015		x	Form filed by One Rep	orting Person					
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)			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)		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Class A Common Stock	01/07/2005		М		4,000	A	\$26.2	4,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	01/07/2005		S		4,000	D	\$55.2	0(1)	D	

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)		of Deri Sec Acq (A) Disp of (I (Ins	of Expiration I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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				
Class A Common Stock	\$26.2	01/07/2005		М			4,000	09/05/2004	09/05/2012	Class A Common Stock	4,000	\$26.2	2,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reporting person does not own any Greif Class A Common Stock.

## /s/ Robert A. Young

01/10/2005 Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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