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* ROANE MICHAEL L							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B]								ck all appli Directo	or		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 425 WINTER ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2003								X	below)	r (give title) or VP Human		below)		
(Street) DELAW	DELAWARE OH 43015				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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. Transa Date (Month/D						Execut			Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)		and Securiti Benefic		es ally Following	Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pi	rice Transac (Instr. 3		tion(s)					
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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		ı of I		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		•	Amount Securitie Underly Derivativ	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber						
Class A Common Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$25.43	09/09/2003			A		7,500		09/09/20	05 (09/09/2013	Class A Common Stock	7,5	00	\$25.43	55,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Michael L. Roane

09/10/2003

** 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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