

KREHBIEL FREDERICK A

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KREHBIEL FREDERICK A

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)

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
04/27/2005

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 04/27/2005 | | M | 955 A \$ 0 | 8,635 | D | |
| Common Stock | 04/27/2005 | | D | 955 D \$ 52.29 | 7,680 | 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)

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| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. P Der Sec (Ins |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Units | (1) | 04/27/2005 | | M | 955 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 955 |
| Stock Option | \$ 54.61 | | | | | 04/24/2002 | 04/23/2012 | Common Stock | 1,650 |
| Stock Option | \$ 45.5 | | | | | 04/30/2003 | 04/29/2013 | Common Stock | 1,980 |
| Stock Option | \$ 54.14 | | | | | 04/28/2004 | 04/27/2014 | Common Stock | 1,670 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KREHBIEL FREDERICK A 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201 | X | | | |

Signatures

L. M. Trusdell, as
attorney-in-fact

04/29/2005

__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).

(1) 1-for-1

(2) The Stock Units settle in cash following termination of service as a director.

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