ROBERTS MICHAEL JAMES

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FORM 4

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ROBERTS MICHAEL JAMES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2011

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

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

below)

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

1,000 D

Common Stock

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8) | of | vative rities ired r osed) | | ate | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----|--|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |
| Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 03/01/2011 | | A | 41 | | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 41 | \$ 133.21 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ROBERTS MICHAEL JAMES 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

Cristen L. Kogl, as attorney-in-fact 03/02/2011

**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 are expected to settle in cash following termination of service as a director.

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