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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Brown Laura D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

(First)

(Middle)

(Zin)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2012

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below) Sr. VP, Comm. & Inv. Rel.

(Street)

(State)

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

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

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LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A) or	5) Price	Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/15/2012		A	826	A	\$ 0	20,920	D		
Common Stock	02/15/2012		F	276	D	\$ 209.1	20,644	D		

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option	\$ 83.08					04/25/2010	04/24/2017	Common Stock	2,600	
Option	\$ 85.82					04/30/2011	04/29/2018	Common Stock	2,700	
Option	\$ 81.49					04/29/2012	04/28/2019	Common Stock	5,000	
Option	\$ 108.15					04/28/2013	04/27/2020	Common Stock	4,300	
Option	\$ 149.02					04/27/2014	04/26/2021	Common Stock	6,789	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Brown Laura D							

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045 Sr. VP, Comm. & Inv. Rel.

Signatures

John L. Howard, as Attorney-in-Fact 02/16/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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