

GENDELL JEFFREY L ET AL  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

|   |         |          |                                      |  |  |
|---|---------|----------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * |         |          | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol |  |
| Â GENDELL JEFFREY L ET AL                 |         |          | (Month/Day/Year)                     | GREENBRIER COMPANIES INC [GBX]                     |  |
| (Last)                                    | (First) | (Middle) |                                      | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                   |
| 55 RAILROAD AVENUE                        |         |          |                                      | (Check all applicable)                             |  |
| (Street)                                  |         |          |                                      | ___ Director                                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner                          |
| GREENWICH,Â CTÂ 06830                     |         |          |                                      | ___ Officer  | ___ Other  |
| (City)                                    | (State) | (Zip)    |                                      | (give title below)                                 | (specify below)  |
|   |         |          |                                      |  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)             |
|   |         |          |                                      |  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
|   |         |          |                                      |  | ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                       |

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock, no par value         | 1,782,243  | I   | See Footnotes <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>              |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4)<br><br>Title | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:<br>Direct (D) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares | or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 5) |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| GENDELL JEFFREY L ET AL<br>55 RAILROAD AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830 | Â             | Â X       | Â       | Â     |

## Signatures

By: /s/ Jeffrey L. Gendell  
Date: 12/27/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The Reporting Person is the managing member of Tontine Capital Management, L.L.C. ("TCM"), a Delaware limited liability company, the general partner of Tontine Capital Partners, L.P. ("TCP"), a Delaware limited partnership. The Reporting Person is also the managing member of Tontine Overseas Associates, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("TOA"), the investment adviser to Tontine Capital Overseas Master Fund, L.P., a Cayman Islands partnership ("TCO").
  - (2) The Reporting Person directly owns 0 shares of the Common Stock. TCM and TOA directly own 0 shares of Common Stock. TCP directly owns 1,375,700 shares of Common Stock. TCO directly owns 406,543 shares of Common Stock. All of the foregoing shares of Common Stock may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Issuer's securities reported herein for purposes of Section 16(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise, except as to securities directly owned by the Reporting Person or representing the Reporting Person's pro rata interest in, and interest in the profits of, TCM, TCP, TOA and TCO.

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