#### **GRAINGER W W INC**

Form 4

December 18, 2007

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SLAVIK JAMES D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

(Street)

12/17/2007

Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

\_X\_\_ Director

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			(D) 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/17/2007		Code V  M(1)	Amount 1,460	(D)	Price \$ 51.6875	1,081,002	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007		M(1)	1,860	A	\$ 48.625	1,082,862	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007		M(1)	2,070	A	\$ 43.5	1,084,932	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007		S(1)	100	D	\$ 89.95	1,084,832	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007		S(1)	200	D	\$ 89.99	1,084,632	D	
	12/17/2007		S(1)	2,140	D	\$ 90	1,082,492	D	

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	700	D	\$ 90.01	1,081,792	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.02	1,081,692	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.035	1,081,592	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.04	1,081,492	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	850	D	\$ 90.05	1,080,642	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 90.06	1,080,542	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.07	1,080,442	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.075	1,080,342	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	200	D	\$ 90.08	1,080,142	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.105	1,080,042	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 90.11	1,079,942	D	
Common Stock	12/17/2007	S(1)	400	D	\$ 90.13	1,079,542	D	
Common Stock						102,180	I	See Footnote
Common Stock						1,044,490	I	See Footnote (3)
Common Stock						1,635,760	I	See Footnote
Common Stock						205,879	I	See Footnote (5)
Common Stock						688	I	See Footnote (6)

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Units	<u>(7)</u>						(8)	<u>(8)</u>	Common Stock	9,055
Stock Option	\$ 51.6875	12/17/2007		M		1,460	04/29/2001	04/28/2008	Common Stock	1,460
Stock Option	\$ 48.625	12/17/2007		M		1,860	04/28/1999	04/27/2009	Common Stock	1,860
Stock Option	\$ 43.5	12/17/2007		M		2,070	04/26/2000	04/25/2010	Common Stock	2,070
Stock Option	\$ 37.5						04/25/2001	04/24/2011	Common Stock	2,400
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			
SLAVIK JAMES D 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201	X						

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## **Signatures**

J. L. Howard, as attorney-in-fact

12/18/2007

\*\*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) Transaction pursuant to a previously adopted Rule 10b5-1 trading program.
- (2) Shares held by trusts of which Mr. Slavik is a beneficiary and co-trustee.
- (3) Shares held by or FBO Mr. Slavik's children. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (4) Shares held by corporation of which Mr. Slavik is a shareholder, director & officer. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (5) Shares held by trusts of which Mr. Slavik is a co-trustee. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (6) Shares held by Mr. Slavik's wife. Mr. Slavik disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (7) 1-for-1
- (8) The stock units are expected to settle in cash following termination of service as a director.

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