HOWARD JOHN L Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOWARD JOHN L

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

08/22/2018

below) Sr. VP and General Counsel

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or TransactionDisposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			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	08/22/2018		Code V M(1)	Amount 14,990	(D)	Price \$ 149.02	58,207	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	2,300	D	\$ 367.3389 (2)	55,907	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	9,466	D	\$ 368.1303 (3)	46,441	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2018		S <u>(1)</u>	3,224	D	\$ 369.0277 (4)	43,217	D	

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 149.02	08/22/2018		M(1)		14,990	04/27/2014	04/26/2021	Common Stock	14,990
Stock Option	\$ 204.01						04/25/2015	04/24/2022	Common Stock	11,716
Stock Option	\$ 245.86						04/24/2016	04/23/2023	Common Stock	11,543
Stock Option	\$ 248.22						04/30/2017	04/29/2024	Common Stock	7,360
Stock Option	\$ 231.88						04/01/2018	03/31/2025	Common Stock	9,728
Stock Option	\$ 234.38						04/01/2019	03/31/2026	Common Stock	12,390
Stock Option	\$ 231.2						04/03/2020	04/02/2027	Common Stock	8,607
Stock Option	\$ 276.64						04/02/2021	04/01/2028	Common Stock	8,979

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HOWARD JOHN L 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045			Sr. VP and General Counsel					

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Signatures

Hugo Dubovoy, Jr., as attorney-in-fact

08/23/2018

**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).
- ** 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.

separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (2), (3), and (4) to this Form 4.

- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$366.69 to \$367.68, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide W.W. Grainger, Inc., any security holder of W.W. Grainger, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$367.70 to \$368.69, inclusive.
- (4) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$368.70 to \$369.53, inclusive.

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