#### GRAINGER W W INC

Form 4

March 21, 2007

# FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **GANTZ WILBUR H** 

(Middle)

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

(Street)

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/20/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

#### LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

(City)	(State) (	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/20/2007		M	2,200	A	\$ 37.25	13,540	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	400	D	\$ 76.12	13,140	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	600	D	\$ 76.13	12,540	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	200	D	\$ 76.14	12,340	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	800	D	\$ 76.15	11,540	D	
	03/20/2007		S	200	D		11,340	D	

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Common \$
Stock 76.18

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities		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	(1)						(2)	(2)	Common Stock	55
Stock Option	\$ 37.25	03/20/2007		M		2,200	04/30/2000	04/29/2007	Common Stock	2,200
Stock Option	\$ 51.6875						04/29/2001	04/28/2008	Common Stock	1,460
Stock Option	\$ 48.625						04/28/1999	04/27/2009	Common Stock	1,860
Stock Option	\$ 43.5						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

GANTZ WILBUR H 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201

X

## **Signatures**

L. M. Trusdell, as attorney-in-fact

03/21/2007

\*\*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) 1-for-1
- (2) The stock units are expected to settle in cash following termination of service as a director.

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