

GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Hawthorne Joel L.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD [GTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/14/2015

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) CEO & President
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD., 6100 OAK TREE BLVD., SUITE 300

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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INDEPENDENCE, OH 44131

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)				
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/14/2015		U		383,199	D		\$ 5.05 (1)	0	D	
Common Stock	08/14/2015		U		21,176	D		\$ 5.05 (1)	0	I	By Savings Plan (2)
Common Stock	08/14/2015		U		10,520	D		\$ 5.05 (1)	0	I	By Compensation Deferral Plan (3)

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

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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 Derivative 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 Options (right to buy)	\$ 16.41	08/17/2015		D	V 3,500	(4) 12/10/2019		Common Stock	3,500
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 19.89	08/17/2015		D	V 4,000	(4) 12/09/2020		Common Stock	4,000
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 13.89	08/17/2015		D	V 15,000	(4) 12/10/2021		Common Stock	15,000
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 9.51	08/17/2015		D	V 16,700	(4) 11/27/2022		Common Stock	16,700
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 11.56	08/17/2015		D	V 16,400	(4) 11/21/2023		Common Stock	16,400
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 10.31	08/17/2015		D	V 66,600	(4) 01/29/2024		Common Stock	66,600
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 4.24	08/17/2015		D	182,000	(4) 11/19/2024		Common Stock	182,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hawthorne Joel L. C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD. 6100 OAK TREE BLVD., SUITE 300 INDEPENDENCE, OH 44131			CEO & President	

Signatures

/s/John D. Moran, Attorney-in-Fact for Joel L. Hawthorne	08/18/2015
**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).

- On May 17, 2015, Issuer entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") with BCP IV GrafTech Holdings LP, a Delaware limited partnership ("Parent"), and Athena Acquisition Subsidiary Inc., a Delaware corporation and a wholly owned subsidiary of Parent ("Acquisition Sub"), pursuant to which, on August 14, 2015, Acquisition Sub accepted all shares tendered and Parent subsequently made a cash payment for all of the outstanding shares of Issuer's common stock that were tendered. The reporting person reports disposition of shares tendered by reporting person pursuant to the terms of the tender offer, which involved a change of control.
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 - (2) Represents the number of units attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company Stock Fund of the GrafTech International Savings Plan.
 - (3) Represents obligations whose value is based on the Common Stock through a contribution, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c), under the Company's Compensation Deferral Program. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
 - (4) All such options have fully vested.
 - (5) Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, the underlying stock options that were not in-the-money were canceled.
 - (6) Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, upon completion of the merger, each stock option (whether vested or unvested) held by the reporting person was converted into a cash amount equal to \$5.05 per share, less the exercise price and net of applicable tax withholdings.

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