

GREIF INC  
Form 4/A  
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**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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DEMPSEY MICHAEL H

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
425 WINTER ROAD  
(Street)

DELAWARE, OH 43015

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/17/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
12/20/2004

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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. 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
Class B Common Stock	12/17/2004		G		420	D	\$ 0 (1) 507,657
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Class A Common Stock							874
Class B Common Stock							110,185
							See footnote. (2)
							See footnote. (3)

Class B Common Stock	5,375,904	I	See footnote. (4)
Class A Common Stock	2,349	I	See footnote. (4)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DEMPSEY MICHAEL H 425 WINTER ROAD DELAWARE, OH 43015	X	X		

## Signatures

Michael H. Dempsey by John K. Dieker pursuant to a Power of Attorney filed with the Commission

12/21/2004

\_\_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).

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- (1) Gift to the Henry C. Dempsey Irrevocable Trust, Shannon Dempsey Trustee.

These shares are held in a trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son. The reporting person's spouse is the trustee of the trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

- (2) reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and the filing of this report is not an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (3) Michael H. Dempsey is the trustee of the Naomi C. Dempsey Charitable Lead Annuity Trust.
- (4) Michael H. Dempsey is the trustee of the Naomi C. Dempsey trust.

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