

RYAN ROBERT L
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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 *
RYAN ROBERT L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2262 WEST LAKE OF THE ISLES
PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/21/2009

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

(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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MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55405

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/21/2009		A	1,484 (1)	\$ 0 6,080	D	

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)

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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	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 60.66	09/21/2009		A ⁽²⁾	7,418	⁽³⁾ 09/21/2019	Common Stock	7,418

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RYAN ROBERT L 2262 WEST LAKE OF THE ISLES PARKWAY MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55405	X			

Signatures

By: Christopher A. Rauschl For: Robert L. Ryan
Date: 09/23/2009

Signature of Reporting Person

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) Automatic grant of restricted stock units under the General Mills, Inc. 2006 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. Each restricted stock unit vests on the date of the next annual meeting of General Mills stockholders and represents a contingent right to receive one share of General Mills, Inc. common stock.
 - (2) Automatic grant of Non-Employee Director stock option (right to buy) under the General Mills, Inc. 2006 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
 - (3) Vests on the date of the next annual meeting of General Mills stockholders.

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