GRAINGER W W INC

Form 4 April 18, 2008

### FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCCARTER JOHN W JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
100 GRAINGER PARKWAY		/AY	(Month/Day/Year) 04/18/2008	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-l	Derivative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	omr Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
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(Instr. 3)	(Instr. 3) any (Mo		Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/18/2008		M	1,460	A	\$ 51.6875	15,164	D	
Common Stock	04/18/2008		S	1,060	D	\$ 86.91	14,104	D	
Common Stock	04/18/2008		S	400	D	\$ 87.5	13,704	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)

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)	Code	5. Number ion f 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 Units	<u>(1)</u>						(2)	(2)	Common Stock	7,198
Stock Option	\$ 51.6875	04/18/2008		M		1,460	04/29/2001	04/28/2008	Common Stock	1,460
Stock Option	\$ 48.625						04/28/1999	04/27/2009	Sommon 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	Sommon Stock	1,670

# **Reporting Owners**

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner rune ( rune ess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MCCARTER JOHN W JR 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045-5201	X						
Signatures							
J. L. Howard, as attorney-in-fact	04/1	8/2008					

Date

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## **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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