GRACO INC Form 4 January 03, 2017

FORM 4

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

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

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Etchart Eric**

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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

01/01/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Officer (give title below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X_ Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

88 11TH AVENUE NE

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative Security or Exercise Code Securities (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount
Exercisable Date or

Number of Shares

Phantom

Stock (1) 01/01/2017 Units

A 240.7

 $\begin{array}{cc} \underline{\text{(1)}} & \underline{\text{(1)}} & \text{Common} \\ & \text{Stock} \end{array}$

240.7 \$ 83

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Etchart Eric

88 11TH AVENUE NE X MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Signatures

/s/ Francis J. Brixius Jr., attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Etchart 01/03/2017

**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) The Phantom Stock Units were accrued under the Graco Inc. 2015 Stock Incentive Plan and are to be settled 100% in Graco common stock in a lump sum or installments upon reporting person's termination of service on the Board.
- (2) The number of phantom stock units includes phantom stock units acquired under the Graco Inc. Automatic Dividend Reinvestment Plan (DRIP), exempt under Rule 16a-11.

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