

GREIF INC

Form 4

April 05, 2005

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Patton Michael C

(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)
04/04/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SR VP-Transformation Worldwide

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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		
Class A Common Stock	04/04/2005		M		5,000	A	\$ 29.875	5,000	D
Class A Common Stock	04/04/2005		M		6,000	A	\$ 30.59	11,000	D
Class A Common Stock	04/04/2005		S		5,000	D	\$ 72	6,000	D
Class A Common	04/04/2005		S		6,000	D	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 72.501		D

Stock

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Options	\$ 29.875	04/04/2005		M	5,000	02/28/2002 02/28/2010	Class A Common Stock	5,000
Class A Common Stock Options	\$ 30.59	04/04/2005		M	6,000	09/05/2003 09/05/2011	Class A Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Patton Michael C 425 WINTER ROAD DELAWARE, OH 43015			SR VP-Transformation Worldwide	

Signatures

Michael C. Patton by John K. Dieker pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission.

04/05/2005

__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 reporting person does not own any Greif Class A Common Stock.

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