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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading NORTON PATRICK J Issuer Symbol GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title **425 WINTER ROAD** 10/01/2009 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

DELAWARE, OH 43015

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Class A Common Stock	10/01/2009		M	4,000	A	\$ 18.495	13,539	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/01/2009		M	4,000	A	\$ 32.175	17,539	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table I. Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Peneficially Ov

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities 1 (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Options	\$ 18.495	10/01/2009		M		4,000	02/23/2004	02/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	4,000
Class A Common Stock Options	\$ 32.175	10/01/2009		M		4,000	02/28/2005	02/28/2015	Class A Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
NORTON PATRICK J 425 WINTER ROAD DELAWARE, OH 43015	X						

Signatures

Patrick J. Norton by John K. Dieker pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission.

10/02/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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 derivative securities.

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