GRACO INC Form 4 January 03, 2012

FORM 4

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

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **EUGSTER JACK W**

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

88 11TH AVENUE NE

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GRACO INC [GGG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2012

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

Issuer

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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Indirect

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Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

or

Following Reported Transaction(s) (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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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

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

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

Number of Shares

Phantom

Units

Stock (1) 01/01/2012

A 318.69

 $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ Common Stock

on 318.69

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

EUGSTER JACK W
88 11TH AVENUE NE X
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

Signatures

By: Carrie D. Russell, Attorney-in-Fact For: Jack W.
Eugster
01/03/2012

**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. 2010 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 in unreported dividend reinvestment transactions.

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