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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Brown Laura D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 GRAINGER PARKWAY

(Street)

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GRAINGER W W INC [GWW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/16/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Sr. VP, Comm. & Inv. Rel.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	09/16/2011		M	4,000	A \$ 76.61	24,094	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011		S	200	D \$ 162.67	23,894	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011		S	300	D \$ 162.68	23,594	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011		S	200	D \$ 162.69	23,394	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011		S	100	D \$ 162.7	23,294	D

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Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	100	D	\$ 162.71	23,194	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	300	D	\$ 162.77	22,894	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	2,000	D	\$ 162.79	20,894	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	100	D	\$ 162.8	20,794	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	165	D	\$ 162.81	20,629	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	200	D	\$ 162.85	20,429	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	200	D	\$ 162.86	20,229	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	35	D	\$ 162.87	20,194	D
Common Stock	09/16/2011	S	100	D	\$ 162.89	20,094	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)	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
Option	\$ 76.61	09/16/2011		M	4,000	04/26/2009 04/25/2016	Common Stock	4,000
Option	\$ 83.08					04/25/2010 04/24/2017	Common Stock	2,600
Option	\$ 85.82					04/30/2011 04/29/2018		2,700

				Common Stock	
Option	\$ 81.49	04/29/2012	04/28/2019	Common Stock	5,000
Option	\$ 108.15	04/28/2013	04/27/2020	Common Stock	4,300
Option	\$ 149.02	04/27/2014	04/26/2021	Common Stock	6,789

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Brown Laura D 100 GRAINGER PARKWAY LAKE FOREST, IL 60045			Sr. VP, Comm. & Inv. Rel.	

## Signatures

John L. Howard, as  
Attorney-in-Fact

09/19/2011

\_\_\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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