FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MITAU LEE R					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [GGG]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
MITAU LEE K									-					X Director	or	10% O	vner
(Last) 800 NIC	(F OLLET M		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2003								Officer below)	(give title	Other (below)	specify			
Street)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Lin	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MINNEAPOLIS MN 55402													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)														
		Tak	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	e Sec	curities	s Ac	quired, D	ispo	osed o	f, or Bei	neficial	ly Owned	l		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					ar) E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			Benefici Owned F	es Fe ally (D Following (I)	Ownership orm: Direct) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code V	Code V Amount (A) or (D)			Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)		(Instr. 4)	
		-							uired, Dis , options					Owned			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	oate, T	Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate		7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				c	Code	v			Date Exercisable	Ex Da	piration te	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	05/07/2003			J		25.461		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	25.461	\$30.4306	25.461	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	08/06/2003			J		23.528		(1)		(1)	Common Stock	23.528	\$35.1824	666.769	D	
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	10/01/2003			A		486.02		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	486.02	\$37.55	1,152.789	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Dividends on the accrued phantom stock units were credited under the Graco Inc. Nonemploye Director Stock 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 phantom stock units were accrued under the Graco Inc. Nonemployee Director Stock 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.

By: Kristen C. Nelson For: Lee

** Signature of Reporting Person

R. Mitau

10/03/2003

Date

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

- * 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).

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