FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RAUENHORST MARK H						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]									Relationship Check all app X Direct				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 88 11TH AVENUE NE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2004									Officer (give title Other (spec below) below)				pecify
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									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. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			Code (Instr.						Benefi Owned	ies cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								•	Code	<i>,</i>	Amount (A) or (D)		r Price		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	ate, T	ransac		5. Num of Derivat Securit Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)	tive ties ed	6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership tt (Instr. 4)
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e rcisable	Ex Da	piration ite	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Phantom Stock Units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/04/2004			J		21.47			(1)		(1)	Common Stock	21.47	\$31.3449	7,231.14	4	D	
Phantom Stock Units	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/01/2004			A		259.7			(2)		(2)	Common Stock	259.7	\$33.5	7,490.84	4	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:
Mark H. Rauenhorst

10/04/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person D

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

- $^{\star}$  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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