Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     KOCH D CHRISTIAN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]								eck all applic Directo	ationship of Reporting k all applicable) Director		Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) 88 11TH	(F AVENUE	•	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2004									below)	Officer (give title below)  VICE PRI		below)	респу
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  2)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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Date					action Day/Ye	ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)		ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and	Securitie Beneficia Owned F	eneficially wned Following		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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 I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	ransa Code (I		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	e and	7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 an	ies g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	y G	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				c	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expi Date	iration e	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to	\$41.86	02/20/2004			A		15,000		(1)	02/2	20/2014	Common Stock	15,000	(1)	15,000	)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan in transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing one year after the date of the grant.

By: Kristen C. Nelson For: D. Christian Koch

02/23/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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