FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  VAN SANT R WILLIAM					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRACO INC [ GGG ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to (Check all applicable)  X Director 10%					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 88 11TH AVENUE NE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2008								Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) MINNEAPOLIS MN 55413				_ 4. Ii	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St	ate)	(Zip)															
		Tab	le I - Noi	າ-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curities	Acc	quired, D	sposed	of, or E	Bene	ficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquir Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 5)				S, 4 and Securitie		es For ally (D) collowing (I)	Form: (D) or	rm: Direct or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
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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	Date,	Code (Ir		5. Numb of Derivati Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Ir 3, 4 and	ve es d	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Secu Underl Deriva	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	OI No of	umber					
Phantom Stock Units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/01/2008			A		373.73		(1)	(1)	Commo		73.73	\$37.26	5,095.17	(2)	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The phantom stock units were accrued under the Amended and Restated Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan (2006) 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.

By: Kristen C. Nelson, by power of attorney For: R.

01/03/2008

William Van Sant

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person 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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