

Nichols Alan R
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â Nichols Alan R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

814 LIVINGSTON COURT

(Street)

MARIETTA,Â GAÂ 30067

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

03/04/2009

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING CO [GPK]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner

☒ Officer ___ Other

(give title below) (specify below)

SVP, Mills

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

59,043

D Â

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:
Direct (D)
or Indirect

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable Expiration Date Title Amount or Number of

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	Â (1)	Â (2)	Common Stock	144,809 (3)	\$ 0	D	Â
Service-Based Restricted Stock Units	Â (1)	Â (2)	Common Stock	72,404	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Nichols Alan R 814 LIVINGSTON COURT MARIETTA, GA 30067	Â	Â	Â SVP, Mills	Â

Signatures

Alan R. Nichols By: Laura Lynn Smith
Attorney-in-fact

03/13/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units and Service-Based Restricted Stock Units vest and become payable on the third anniversary of the date of grant, except in cases of death, disability, retirement, involuntary termination or change in control.
- (2) Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units and Service-Based Restricted Stock Units terminate upon their payout 1/3 in cash and 2/3 in shares of common stock.
- (3) This number represents payout at target. Actual payout may be adjusted up or down depending upon achievement of performance targets.

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