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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement EXCEL TECHNOLOGY INC [XLTC] **GSI GROUP INC** (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 125 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X__ 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) BEDFORD, MAÂ 01730 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) $D^{(3)}$ Â Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share 8,571,831 (1) (2) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	ative Security 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	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GSI GROUP INC

125 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE X BEDFORD, MAÂ 01730

Signatures

/s/ Daniel J. Lyne, Vice President and General Counsel

08/26/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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In accordance with the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"), dated as of July 9, 2008, by and among GSI Group Inc., a New Brunswick corporation ("GSI"), Eagle Acquisition Corporation, a Delaware corporation and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of GSI ("Purchaser"), and Excel Technology, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Excel"), on July 23, 2008, Purchaser commenced a cash tender offer (the "Offer") to purchase all outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per

- Purchaser commenced a cash tender offer (the "Offer") to purchase all outstanding shares of common stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of the Company (the "Shares") at a price of \$32.00 per share, net to the seller in cash, and subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase, dated July 23, 2008, as amended, included as an exhibit to the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO filed by GSI and Purchaser with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 23, 2008.
- The Offer expired at 12:00 midnight, New York City time, on Tuesday, August 19, 2008. An aggregate of 8,571,831 Shares were validly tendered and not withdrawn (not including certain shares tendered under guaranteed delivery procedures), representing approximately 78.62% of the Company's outstanding common stock. On August 20, 2008, Purchaser accepted for payment all validly tendered and not withdrawn Shares.
- (3) Purchaser, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of GSI, is the registered owner of the Shares purchased in the Offer.

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