

Widmar Mark R
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 *
 Widmar Mark R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD [GTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD., 12900 SNOW ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/01/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP & CFO

(Street)
 PARMA, OH 44130

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/01/2009		A	28,409	A \$ 0	28,409	D <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	04/01/2009		S	17,455	D \$ 6.4482	10,954	D <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock						33,773	D <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock						18,420	D <u>(3)</u>
						25,000	D <u>(4)</u>

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Common Stock				
Common Stock		3,000	D	
Common Stock		57,800	D ⁽⁵⁾	
Common Stock		3,701	I	By Savings Plan ⁽⁶⁾
Common Stock		1,112	I	By Compensation Deferral Plan ⁽⁷⁾

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

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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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Widmar Mark R
C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD.
12900 SNOW ROAD
PARMA, OH 44130

VP &
CFO

Signatures

/s/John D. Moran, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark R.
Widmar

04/03/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) The reported sale transaction is to report the satisfaction of income taxes. In response to the current economic environment, the Board previously elected to make payment of 50% of the award payable under the Company's 2008 annual incentive plan by granting shares (with a value on March 31, 2009 equal to that amount) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. Represents the number of shares so issued and number of shares sold pursuant to a duly adopted Section 10b5-1 trading plan to pay withholding taxes associated with the incentive plan award, receipt of which were conditioned upon the executive's continued employment as of April 3, 2009. 17,455 of the 28,409 shares were sold pursuant to the Section 10b5-1 trading plan to cover withholding taxes.

(2) On October 23, 2006, the Company granted 45,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program, all of which will cliff vest in February 2010, subject to accelerated vesting if certain performance targets were met. One-third of such shares vested in each of February 2008 and 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.

(3) On October 4, 2007, the Company granted 21,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program. One-third of the restricted shares shall vest on each of February 26, 2010 and February 28, 2011, but only if certain performance targets are met. One-third of such shares vested February 27, 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.

(4) On December 15, 2008, the Company granted 25,000 performance shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program, which represent the right to receive shares contingent upon the achievement of one or more performance measures. Shares that are earned upon the attainment of applicable performance targets shall vest on February 29, 2012. The ultimate number of shares is subject to adjustment based on actual performance.

(5) On May 8, 2006, the Company granted 75,000 restricted shares under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan, of which one-third vested on May 8, 2007, one-third vested on May 8, 2008, and one-third of which will vest on May 8, 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.

(6) Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company Stock Fund option of the GrafTech International Holdings Inc. Savings Plan.

(7) Represents obligations whose value is based on the Common Stock through a contribution, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c), under the Company's Compensation Deferral Program. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.

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