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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** GASSER MICHAEL J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
425 WINT	ER ROAD		(Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2006	_X_ Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(CheckApplicable Line)_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DELAWARE, OH 43015				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of	2. Transaction I	Date 2A Deer	ned 3. 4. Securities Acquired	(A) 5. Amount of 6. 7. Natur			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock	12/18/2006		M	25,000 (1)	A	\$ 30	36,417	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/18/2006		S	25,000 (1)	D	\$ 116.14	11,417	D	
Class B Common Stock							11,898	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	onDerivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class A Common Stock Options	\$ 30	12/18/2006		M		25,000	09/03/1999	09/03/2007	Class A Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships								
Topolonia o William Palante	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
GASSER MICHAEL J 425 WINTER ROAD DELAWARE, OH 43015	X		Chairman and CEO						

Signatures

Michael J. Gasser by John K. Dieker pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission.

12/19/2006

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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 options will expire September 3, 2007.

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