

GRACO INC
Form 4
March 17, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KOCH D CHRISTIAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

88 11TH AVENUE NE

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

GRACO INC [GGG]

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

03/15/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

VICE PRESIDENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	03/15/2006		M		2,812	A	\$ 11.71	10,311	D
Common Stock	03/15/2006		M		8,437	A	\$ 18.39	18,748	D
Common Stock	03/15/2006		M		11,250	A	\$ 17.34	29,998	D
Common Stock	03/15/2006		F ⁽¹⁾		5,841	D	\$ 41.99	24,157	D
Common Stock	03/16/2006		S		16,658	D	\$ 42.5784	7,499	D

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.71	03/15/2006		M	2,812	<u>(2)</u> 02/23/2011	Common Stock	2,812
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.34	03/15/2006		M	11,250	<u>(3)</u> 02/21/2013	Common Stock	11,250
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.39	03/15/2006		M	8,437	<u>(3)</u> 02/22/2012	Common Stock	8,437

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
KOCH D CHRISTIAN 88 11TH AVENUE NE MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55413	VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

By: Kristen C. Nelson For: D. Christian
Koch 03/17/2006

__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).

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Transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(e); stock delivered to issuer to cover the exercise price, or stock retained by issuer to cover withholding taxes.

- (2) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. Long-Term Stock Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing one year after the date of the grant.
- (3) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Graco Inc. Stock Incentive Plan in transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The stock option becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments, commencing one year after the date of the grant.

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