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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Addr Nichols Ala | | 2. Date of Event F Statement (Month | | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING CO</u> [GPK] | | | | | | | |
|--|---------|--|--|--|---|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| (Last) | | | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person((Check all applicable) | | , | | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed Ionth/Day/Year) | | |
| 814 LIVINGSTON COURT | | | | | x | Director Officer (give title | 10% Owner Other (specif | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | |
| (Street) MARIETTA GA 30067 | | | | | below) SVP, Mills | below) | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | | | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | | | | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 59,043 D | | | | | | |
| 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 Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | Underlying | 4. Conversio or Exercis | e (D) or | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | |
| | | | Date Exercisable | Expiratior Date | n Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivative Security | Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | |
| Performance-Based Resticted Stock Units | | | (1) | (2) | | Common Stock | 144,809(3) | 0.00 | D | | |
| Service-Based Restricted Stock Units | | | (1) | (2) | | Common Stock | 72,404 | 0.00 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

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.

Remarks:

Alan R. Nichols By: Laura Lynn Smith Attorney-in-fact 03/13/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

 * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

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