

GREIF INC

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Industry	Containers & Packaging
Sector	Basic Materials
Fiscal Year	10/31

FORM 4

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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(f) of the
Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)	
LILAK JOHN S		GREIF INC [GEF,GEF.B]		<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Exec. VP & Pres. Soterra LLC	
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)				
425 WINTER ROAD	1/13/2005				
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
DELAWARE, OH 43015			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)					

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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			
Class A Common Stock	1/13/2005		M		1750	A	\$29.188	10758	D	
Class A Common Stock	1/13/2005		M		2000	A	\$24.25	12758	D	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Class A Common Stock	\$29.188	1/13/2005		M		1750		9/6/2002	9/6/2010	Class A Common Stock	1750	\$29.188	52750	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$24.25	1/13/2005		M		2000		9/1/2001	9/1/2009	Class A Common Stock	2000	\$24.25	50750	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LILAK JOHN S 425 WINTER ROAD DELAWARE, OH 43015			Exec. VP & Pres. Soterra LLC	

Signatures

**John S. Lilak by
John K. Dieker
pursuant to a
POA filed with
the Commission**

1/14/2005

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 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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GREIF, INC.

POWER OF ATTORNEY
FOR FORMS 3, 4, AND 5 FILINGS

The undersigned, an officer and/or director of Greif, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the Company), hereby constitutes and appoints Gary R. Martz, John K. Dieker, and Robert S. Zimmerman, and each of them, my true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power to act without the other, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for me and in my name, place, and stead, in any and all of my capacities for the Company, to sign all Forms 3, 4, or 5 required to be filed by me with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, including any and all amendments to any of the foregoing, relating to the Company, and to file the same with the Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents or any of them or their or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The undersigned has executed and delivered this Power of Attorney on the date set forth below.

Dated: 9/16/02

/s/ John S. Lilak
Signature of Officer/Director

John S. Lilak, Executive Vice President
Print Name and Title

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