

Mulligan Donal L
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Mulligan Donal L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/21/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426

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) | | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|----------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|--|
| | | | | Code | V Amount Price | | | | |
| Common Stock | 11/13/2012 | | G | V | 1,275 | D \$ 0 | 155,316 | D | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2012 | | M | | 36,376 | A \$ 23.055 | 191,692 | D | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2012 | | F | | 27,481 | D \$ 41.1 | 164,211 | D | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2012 | | M | | 2,400 | A \$ 23.055 | 166,611 | D | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2012 | | F | | 1,814 | D \$ 41.1 | 164,797 | D | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |

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Common Stock 3,723 I by Trust (1)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.055 | 12/21/2012 | | M | 36,376 | 12/15/2007 01/15/2014 | Common Stock 36 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.055 | 12/21/2012 | | M | 2,400 | 12/15/2007 01/15/2014 | Common Stock 2, |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|--|
| Mulligan Donal L NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BOULEVARD MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426 | Director 10% Owner Officer Other Executive Vice President |

Signatures

By: Christopher A Rauschl For: Donal L Mulligan 12/26/2012
 **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) Held in Trust by the Trustee of the General Mills Savings Plan.

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