GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD

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(Print or Type	e Responses)									
SHULAR CRAIG S Symbol GRAF				ossuer Name and Ticker or Trading bol AFTECH INTERNATIONAL D [GTI]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Month)				ate of Earliest Transaction ath/Day/Year) 3/2008				_X_ Director _X_ Officer (gi below) Chairm		10% Owner Other (specify resident
				f Amendment, Date Original d(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Da	d Date, if	3.		s Acqı d of (D	uired (A)	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)
Common Stock	05/13/2008			M	200,000	A	\$ 6.56	200,000	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008			S	200,000	D	\$ 23.05	0	D (1)	
Common Stock	05/13/2008			M	12,600	A	\$ 6.56	12,600	D	
Common Stock	05/13/2008			S	12,600	D	\$ 24	0	D (1)	

M

187,400 A

\$ 6.56 187,400

D

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	05/13/2008	S	187,400	D	\$ 24.07	0	D (1)	
Common Stock						19,310	D	
Common Stock						37,971	I	By Compensation Deferral Plan
Common Stock						116,155	D (3)	
Common Stock						115,262	D (4)	
Common Stock						30,027	I	By Savings Plan (5)
Common Stock						77,000	D (6)	
Reminder: Re	eport on a separate line for each class of secu	ırities ber	neficially ow	ned di	rectly or i	ndirectly.		

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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 orDerivative 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Time options (right to buy)	\$ 14 <u>(9)</u>						<u>(7)</u>	02/28/2010	Common Stock	30,000
Time options (right to buy)	\$ 8.56 (9)						<u>(7)</u>	12/15/2010	Common Stock	100,000

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Time options (right to buy)	\$ 8.85 (9)				<u>(7)</u>	09/25/2011	Common Stock	87,000
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 6.56	05/13/2008	M	212,600	<u>(7)</u>	12/31/2008	Common Stock	212,600
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 6.56	05/14/2008	M	187,400	<u>(7)</u>	12/31/2008	Common Stock	187,400
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 9.05 (9)				<u>(8)</u>	04/02/2017	Common Stock	300,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SHULAR CRAIG S C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD. 12900 SNOW ROAD PARMA, OH 44130	X		Chairman, CEO & President			

Signatures

/s/Gary R. Whitaker, Attorney-in-Fact for Craig S. Shular 05/15/2008

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * 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).
- On December 14, 2007, this Officer entered into a written 10b5-1 sales plan covering only stock options which will otherwise expire during 2008. These options were automatically exercised and the respective shares were sold automatically pursuant to the Rule 10b5-1 sales plan based on the stock price reaching a pre-set target price.

Date

- (2) Represents obligations whose value is based on the Common Stock through a contribution, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c), under the Company's Compensation Deferral Program. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- Of such shares granted on August 31, 2005 under the Company's Long Term Incentive Plan, one-third vested on each of August 31, 2006 (3) and August 31, 2007. The remaining one-third will vest on August 31, 2008. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld or sold, under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- On October 23, 2006, the Company granted 130,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program, all of which will cliff vest in February 2010, subject to accelerated vesting in equal thirds in February of each of 2008, 2009 and 2010, if certain performance targets are met. One-third of such shares vested in February 2008. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld or sold, under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.

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Represents the number of units attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company Stock Fund option of the GrafTech International Holdings Inc. Savings Plan.

- On October 4, 2007, the Company granted 77,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program.
- (6) One-third of the restricted shares shall vest on each of February 27, 2009, February 26, 2010, and February 28, 2011, but only if certain performance targets are met.
- (7) All such options have fully vested.
 - On April 2, 2007, the Company approved, under the terms of the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, a grant of 300,000 options,
- (8) which shall vest in equal thirds on April 2 of each of 2008, 2009 and 2010. One-third of such shares vested in April 2008. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
- (9) None of these options were exercised and none are subject to any 10b5-1 plans.

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