SHULAR CRAIG S

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SHULAR CRAIG S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

12/10/2009

GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD [GTI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

Chairman, CEO & President

C/O GRAFTECH

(Street)

INTERNATIONAL LTD., 12900 **SNOW ROAD**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

97,000

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PARMA, OH 44130

(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 or(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following	curities Ownership meficially Form: wned Direct (D) llowing or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/10/2009		A	39,000	A	\$ 0	39,000	D (1)	
Common Stock	12/10/2009		A	29,000	A	\$0	29,000	D (2)	
Common Stock							99,306	D (3)	
Common Stock							67,548	D (4)	

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Common Stock			
Common Stock	192,294 г)	
Common Stock	39,432 I		By Compensation Deferral Plan
Common Stock	31,820 I		By Savings Plan (7)
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 $\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti 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)	\$ 8.56					(8)	12/15/2010	Common Stock	100,000
Time options (right to buy)	\$ 8.85					<u>(8)</u>	09/25/2011	Common Stock	87,000
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 9.05					<u>(9)</u>	04/02/2017	Common Stock	300,000
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 16.41	12/10/2009		A	56,000	(10)	12/11/2019	Common Stock	56,000

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHULAR CRAIG S C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD. 12900 SNOW ROAD PARMA, OH 44130

Chairman, CEO & President

Signatures

/s/John D. Moran, Attorney-in-Fact for Craig S. Shular

12/14/2009

**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).
- On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 39,000 performance shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program, which represent the right to receive shares contingent upon the achievement of performance measures over a 3-year performance period. Shares that are earned upon the attainment of the applicable performance targets vest on March 29, 2013. The ultimate number of shares earned is subject to adjustment based on actual performance.
- (2) On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 29,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program. One-third of the restricted shares vest on December 10 of each of 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- 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 if certain performance targets were met. One-third of such shares vested in each of February 2008 and 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- On October 4, 2007, the Company granted 77,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program.

 One-third of the restricted shares shall vest on each of February 26, 2010 and February 28, 2011, but only if certain performance targets are met. One-third of such shares vested February 27, 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- On December 15, 2008, the Company granted 97,000 performance shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive

 Program, which represent the right to receive shares contingent upon the achievement of one or more performance measures. Shares that are earned upon the attainment of applicable performance targets shall vest on February 29, 2012. The ultimate number of shares is subject to adjustment based on actual performance.
- 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.
- (7) 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.
- (8) 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, which vest in equal thirds on April 2 of each of 2008, 2009 and 2010. The vested portions of such options become exercisable upon vesting.
- On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 56,000 stock options under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program. (10) The options vest in equal thirds on December 10 of each of 2010, 2011 and 2012. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

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