PRETORIUS HERMANUS LAMBERTUS

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| PRETORIUS HERMANUS LAMBERTUS | | | Symbol GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD [GTI] | | | | | Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|----------|--------------------------|-----|----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD., 12900 | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2010 | | | | | Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) VP, Pres. Engineered Solutions | | | | |
| SNOW RO | OAD | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(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 | | | | |
| PARMA, OH 44130 | | | | | | | | | Person | | | |
| (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) | Transaction Date 2A. Deemed onth/Day/Year) Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year) | | | Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | | 6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Form: Ownership Direct (D) (Instr. 4) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2010 | | | Code V M | Amount 10,000 | (D) | Price \$ 14 | (Instr. 3 and 4) 10,000 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2010 | | | S | 10,000 | D | \$ 14.5 | 0 | D (1) | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 5,400 | D (2) | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 3,900 | D (3) | | | |
| | | | | | | | | 14,659 | D (4) | | | |

| Common Stock | | | |
|-----------------|--------|-------|-------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 10,243 | D (5) | |
| Common Stock | 15,000 | D (6) | |
| Common Stock | 24,541 | D | |
| Common Stock | 3,274 | I | By Savings Plan (7) |
| Common Stock | 4,890 | I | By Compensation Deferral Plan |

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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 | 01/19/2010 | | M | | 10,000 | <u>(9)</u> | 02/28/2010 | Common Stock | 10,000 |
| Time options (right to buy) | \$ 8.56 | | | | | | <u>(9)</u> | 12/15/2010 | Common Stock | 2,500 |
| Time options (right to buy) | \$ 8.85 | | | | | | <u>(9)</u> | 09/25/2011 | Common Stock | 10,000 |

(9-02)

Stock options (right to buy)

\$ 16.41

(10)

12/10/2019

Common Stock 7,700

Other

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

PRETORIUS HERMANUS LAMBERTUS C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD. 12900 SNOW ROAD PARMA, OH 44130

VP, Pres. Engineered Solutions

Signatures

/s/Mark R. Widmar, Attorney-in-Fact for Hermanus L. Pretorius

01/20/2010

**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 June 15, 2009, this Officer entered into a written Rule 10b5-1 sales plan covering only stock options which will otherwise expire during February 2010. 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.
- On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 5,400 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.
- On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 3,900 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 20,000 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 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 12,000 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 15,000 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.
- (7) Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company Stock Fund option of the GrafTech International Savings Plan.
- (8) 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.
- (9) All such options have fully vested.

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On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 7,700 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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