

Hawthorne Joel 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 *
Hawthorne Joel L.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD [GTI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/29/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP, Pres. Engineered Solutions

C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD., 12900 SNOW ROAD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock						D	(1)
Common Stock						D	(2)
Common Stock	02/29/2012		F	3,492	D	\$ 12.71	D (3)
Common Stock						D	(4)
Common Stock						D	(5)

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Common Stock				
Common Stock		1,783	D ⁽⁶⁾	
Common Stock		2,700	D ⁽⁷⁾	
Common Stock		19,394	D	
Common Stock		17,480	I	By Savings Plan ⁽⁸⁾
Common Stock		4,263	I	By Compensation Deferral Plan ⁽⁹⁾

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 16.41					⁽¹⁰⁾	12/10/2019	Common Stock	3,500
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 19.89					⁽¹¹⁾	12/10/2020	Common Stock	4,000
	\$ 13.89					⁽¹²⁾	12/10/2021		15,000

Stock
Options
(right to
buy)

Common
Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hawthorne Joel L. C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD. 12900 SNOW ROAD PARMA, OH 44130			VP, Pres. Engineered Solutions	

Signatures

/s/John D. Moran, Attorney-in-Fact for Joel L.
Hawthorne

03/02/2012

**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) On December 13, 2011, the Company granted 7,500 restricted shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. One-third of the restricted shares will vest on each of December 13, 2012, 2013, and 2014.
- (2) On December 13, 2011, the Company granted 10,000 performance shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, 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 31, 2015. The ultimate number of shares earned is subject to adjustment based on actual performance.
- (3) 3,492 shares were withheld to cover withholding taxes due on vesting of performance shares. On December 15, 2008, the Company granted 12,200 performance shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, representing the right to receive shares contingent upon the achievement of performance measures and subject to adjustment based on actual performance. Including an upward adjustment of 1,992 shares as a result of actual performance achieved, 10,125 earned shares became vested on February 29, 2012. From the earned shares that vested, 3,492 shares were withheld to cover withholding taxes. The amount of securities owned in this line represent the net number of shares earned and vested (10,125) less the number of shares withheld to cover withholding taxes (3,492) plus 1/3 of the December 15, 2008 grant (4,067) which, subject to further adjustment based on actual performance, may still be earned.
- (4) On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 2,000 restricted shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. One-third of the restricted shares vested on each of December 10, 2010 and 2011, and one-third will vest on December 10, 2012. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- (5) On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 2,500 performance shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, 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.
- (6) On December 9, 2010, the Company granted 2,000 restricted shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. One-third of the restricted shares vested on December 9, 2011, and one-third will vest on each of December 9, 2012 and 2013. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- (7) On December 9, 2010, the Company granted 2,700 performance shares under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, 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, 2014. The ultimate

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number of shares earned is subject to adjustment based on actual performance.

- (8) Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company Stock Fund of the GrafTech International Savings Plan.
- (9) 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.
- (10) On December 10, 2009, the Company granted 3,500 stock options under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. 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.
- (11) On December 9, 2010, the Company granted 4,000 stock options under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. The options vest in equal thirds on December 9 of each of 2011, 2012 and 2013. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.
- (12) On December 13, 2011, the Company granted 15,000 stock options under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. The options vest in equal thirds on December 13 of each of 2012, 2013 and 2014. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

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