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**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
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FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011**

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GENERAL CABLE SAVINGS PLAN

(Full Title of Plan)

GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION

4 Tesseneer Drive

Highland Heights, Kentucky 41076-9753

(Name of Issuer of securities held pursuant to the Plan)

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General Cable

Savings Plan

Employer ID No.: 13-3064555

Plan Number: 009

Financial Statements as of and for the Years Ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, Supplemental Schedule as of December 31, 2011, and Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of General Cable Corporation, to the Retirement Plans Finance Committee and the Retirement Plans Administrative Committee (the Retirement Committees), and to the Participants of the General Cable Savings Plan:

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the General Cable Savings Plan (the Plan) as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan 's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Plan is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan 's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2011, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor 's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This schedule is the responsibility of the Plan 's management. Such schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic 2011 financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

/s/ Deloitte & Touche LLP

Cincinnati, Ohio

June 25, 2012

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STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

	2011	2010
ASSETS:		
Participant-directed investment in General Cable Master Trust fair value	\$ 88,707,412	\$ 92,306,362
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS AT FAIR VALUE	88,707,412	92,306,362
Notes receivable from participants	7,970,591	7,765,627
Adjustment from fair value to contract value for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts	(1,401,084)	(1,031,450)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 95,276,919	\$ 99,040,539

See notes to financial statements.

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	2011	2010
ADDITIONS:		
CONTRIBUTIONS:		
Employee	\$ 3,883,172	\$ 3,346,437
Employer	2,786,754	2,489,405
Rollover	357,957	229,525
Total contributions	7,027,883	6,065,367
Net investment gain from General Cable Master Trust		8,957,513
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	399,775	420,159
Total additions	7,427,658	15,443,039
DEDUCTIONS:		
Net investment loss from General Cable Master Trust	(1,532,743)	
Benefits paid to participants	(9,515,241)	(6,586,593)
Administrative expenses	(57,133)	(53,894)
Total deductions	(11,105,117)	(6,640,487)
TRANSFERS TO OTHER PLAN Net	(86,161)	(41,719)
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE	(3,763,620)	8,760,833
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS:		
Beginning of year	99,040,539	90,279,706
End of year	\$ 95,276,919	\$ 99,040,539

See notes to financial statements.

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GENERAL CABLE SAVINGS PLAN

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AS OF AND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2011 AND 2010

1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following description of the General Cable Savings Plan (the Plan) is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document for more complete information.

General The Plan is a defined contribution plan of General Cable Corporation (the Company) covering certain hourly employees of the Company or an affiliated company as determined by the terms of any applicable collective bargaining agreements. GK Technologies, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company, is the Plan Sponsor. The Company and affiliated companies are participating employers. The Retirement Committees, appointed by the Board of Directors of the Company, control and manage the operation and administration of the Plan. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Fidelity Management Trust Co. (FMTC) serves as the trustee and recordkeeper of the Plan. The General Cable Master Trust (Master Trust) has been established pursuant to a trust agreement between the Plan Sponsor and FMTC, as trustee of the Master Trust, in order to permit the commingling of trust assets of multiple employee benefit plans for investment and administrative purposes. The assets of the Master Trust are held by FMTC.

The Company acquired Gepeco International, Inc. and Isotec, Inc. (collectively Gepeco) on August 1, 2009. Effective immediately upon acquisition, Gepeco employees became eligible to participate in the Plan and began making active contributions. In October 2009, participants were allowed to transfer existing loan balances from the former Gepeco International, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan or the Isotec, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan (the former plans) into the Plan. Upon receipt of approval for termination from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the Company began distributing all assets and participant account balances from the former plans. Participants in the former plans were eligible to move their account balances into the Plan as Rollovers, as defined below.

Contributions Participants may contribute up to a certain percentage of their pre-tax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan, subject to certain Internal Revenue Code (IRC) limitations. Participants may also make contributions on an after-tax basis (Roth 401(k)), subject to the same IRC limits when combined with their pre-tax contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans (Rollover). The Company, at its discretion, may match a percentage of the participants pre-tax and/or Roth 401(k) contributions. The Plan provides for the Company to make a discretionary contribution to the Plan's employee retirement account for participants who have completed one year of service. Employer contributions were net of forfeitures of \$69,900 and \$85,208 for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

Participant Accounts Individual accounts are maintained for each Plan participant. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, the Company's discretionary matching contribution, the Company's discretionary retirement contribution, and Plan earnings. Each participant's account is charged with withdrawals and an allocation of Plan losses. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account balance.

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Investments Participants direct the investments of their accounts into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers various mutual funds, a common/collective trust fund, and a Company common stock fund as investment options for participants.

Vesting Participants are vested immediately in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. The vesting of the Company's discretionary retirement contribution portion of their account is based on years of continuous service. For participants who were hired on or after July 1, 2000, a participant is 100% vested after seven years of credited service or immediately upon attainment of age 65, age 55 with five years of service or death or retirement due to disability. Retirement contributions made on or after January 1, 2007, are 100% vested after six years of credited service or immediately upon attainment of age 65, age 55 with five years of service or death or retirement due to disability.

The vesting of the Company's discretionary matching contribution portion of their account is based on years of continuous service. For participants who were hired on or after July 1, 2000, a participant is 100% vested after four years of credited service or immediately upon attainment of age 65, age 55 with five years of service or death or retirement due to disability.

Notes Receivable from Participants Participants may borrow from their fund accounts up to a maximum of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balances, whichever is less. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at a rate equal to the prime rate plus 1%, as determined by the Retirement Committees. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. Loans to participants are reported as Notes Receivable from participants at the unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest.

In-Service Withdrawals Prior to termination of employment, participants may make hardship withdrawals or withdrawals upon attainment of age 59 1/2, in accordance with the Plan Document.

Payment of Benefits Upon retirement or other termination of employment, a participant's vested account balance less any amount necessary to repay participant loans may be distributed to the participant, or in the case of death, to a designated beneficiary, in a lump-sum distribution.

Forfeited Accounts As of December 31, 2011 and 2010, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$13,900 and \$23,048, respectively. Forfeitures are used to reduce future Company contributions to the Plan.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

Use of Estimates The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, and changes therein and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Risks and Uncertainties The Plan utilizes various investment instruments within the Master Trust including mutual funds, a common/collective trust fund, and Company common stock. Investment securities, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

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Investment Valuation and Income Recognition The Plan's investments are stated at fair value. If available, quoted market prices are used to value investments. Shares of mutual funds are valued at quoted market prices, which represent the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year end. The General Cable Stock Fund (Company Stock Fund) is comprised of shares of Company common stock and cash and is valued at fair value based on the fair value of the underlying investment in the Company common stock, using quoted market prices, and the cash portion. The Stable Value Fund is stated at fair value, as determined by the issuer based on fair value of the underlying investments, and then adjusted to contract value as described below. Fair value of the Stable Value Fund is the net asset value of its underlying investments, and contract value is principal plus accrued interest. Fair value of the contracts underlying the Stable Value Fund is calculated by discounting the related cash flows based on current yields of similar instruments with comparable durations. In accordance with GAAP, the Stable Value Fund is included at fair value in participant-directed investment in General Cable Master Trust in the statements of net assets available for benefits, and an additional line item is presented representing the adjustment from fair value to contract value. The statements of changes in net assets available for benefits are presented on a contract value basis.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Management fees and operating expenses charged to the Plan for investments in the mutual funds are deducted from income earned on a daily basis and are not separately reflected. Consequently, management fees and operating expenses are reflected in the investment return for such investments.

Valuation of Investments (Master Trust) The Plan's investment in the Master Trust is presented at fair value, which has been determined based on the fair value of the underlying investments of the Master Trust, except the underlying fully benefit-responsive investment contracts which are stated at contract value. When quoted market prices are not available, the fair value of investments is estimated primarily by independent investment brokerage firms and insurance companies based on observable market inputs.

New Accounting Standards

ASU No. 2011-04 In May 2011, the FASB issued ASU No. 2011-04, *Amendments to Achieve Common Fair Value Measurement and Disclosure Requirements in U.S. GAAP and IFRSs*, which amends ASC 820. ASU 2011-04 also requires the categorization by level for items that are only required to be disclosed at fair value and information about transfers between Level 1 and Level 2. In addition, the ASU provides guidance on measuring the fair value of financial instruments managed within a portfolio and the application of premiums and discounts on fair value measurements. The ASU requires additional disclosure for Level 3 measurements regarding the sensitivity of fair value to changes in unobservable inputs and any interrelationships between those inputs. The new guidance is effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2011. The adoption will not have a material effect on the statement of net assets available for benefits and statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. Plan management has not determined the impact on the disclosures in the financial statements.

Administrative Expenses Trustee and investment management fees are paid by the Plan. Other administrative expenses are paid by the Company.

Payment of Benefits Benefits are recorded when paid.

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Transfers In addition to this Plan, the Company also sponsors the General Cable Retirement and Savings Plan for Salaried Associates. If employees change their status during the year, their account balances are transferred into the corresponding Plan. For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, account balances totaling a net \$86,161 and \$41,719, respectively, on the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits represent net transfers of participant account balances to the General Cable Retirement and Savings Plan for Salaried Associates.

3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

In accordance with GAAP, the Master Trust classifies its investments into Level 1, which refers to securities valued using quoted prices from active markets for identical assets; Level 2, which refers to securities not traded on an active market but for which observable market inputs are readily available; and Level 3, which refers to securities valued based on significant unobservable inputs. Assets are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The Master Trust's policy is to recognize significant transfers between levels at the actual date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer.

The following tables set forth by level within the fair value hierarchy a summary of the Master Trust's portfolio investments (which include the assets of the Plan and of the General Cable Retirement and Savings Plan for Salaried Associates) measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2011 and 2010.

	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2011			Total
	Active Markets for Identical Assets Level 1	Other Observable Inputs Level 2	Significant Unobservable Inputs Level 3	
Mutual funds:				
Domestic equity funds	\$ 67,412,826	\$	\$	\$ 67,412,826
Bond funds	19,234,225			19,234,225
International equity funds	10,310,780			10,310,780
Lifecycle funds	53,235,339			53,235,339
General Cable Stock Fund		16,887,189		16,887,189
Stable Value Fund		64,425,886		64,425,886
Total portfolio investments	\$ 150,193,170	\$ 81,313,075	\$	\$ 231,506,245

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	Fair Value Measurements at December 31, 2010			Total
	Active Markets for Identical Assets Level 1	Other Observable Inputs Level 2	Significant Unobservable Inputs Level 3	
Mutual funds:				
Domestic equity funds	\$ 75,705,614	\$	\$	\$ 75,705,614
Bond funds	18,092,211			18,092,211
International equity funds	13,085,515			13,085,515
Lifecycle funds	48,258,530			48,258,530
General Cable Stock Fund		20,394,258		20,394,258
Stable Value Fund		61,638,026		61,638,026
Total portfolio investments	\$ 155,141,870	\$ 82,032,284	\$	\$ 237,174,154

For the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, there were no significant transfers in or out of levels 1, 2 or 3.

The valuation methods as disclosed in Note 2 may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

4. INVESTMENTS

The Master Trust's investments that represented 5% or more of the Master Trust's net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2011 and 2010, are as follows:

	December 31, 2011	December 31, 2010
* Stable Value Fund **	\$ 61,473,294	\$ 59,494,884
ABF Large Cap Value PA Fund	15,808,045	18,737,496
Vanguard Institutional Index Fund	16,485,380	17,761,674
AF Growth of America R5 Fund	16,770,148	19,313,135
* General Cable Stock Fund	16,887,189	20,394,258
AF Europac Growth R5 Fund	***	12,118,425

* Represents party-in-interest

** At contract value

*** Investment did not exceed 5% of net assets available for benefits at December 31, 2011

During the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, the Plan's investment in the Master Trust (depreciated) appreciated in value by \$(3,643,950) and \$6,928,630, respectively, excluding interest and dividends.

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5. STABLE VALUE FUND

The Stable Value Fund is a collective trust fund managed by FMTC. The beneficial interest of each participant is represented by units. Units are issued and redeemed daily at the Stable Value Fund's constant net asset value (NAV) of \$1 per unit. Distribution to the Stable Value Fund's unit holders is declared daily from the net investment income and automatically reinvested in the Stable Value Fund on a monthly basis, when paid. It is the policy of the Stable Value Fund to use its best efforts to maintain a stable net asset value of \$1 per unit; although there is no guarantee that the Stable Value Fund will be able to maintain this value.

Participants ordinarily may direct the withdrawal or transfer of all or a portion of their investment at contract value. Contract value represents contributions made to the Stable Value Fund, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The Stable Value Fund imposes certain restrictions on the Plan, and the Stable Value Fund itself may be subject to circumstances that impact its ability to transact at contract value. Plan management believes that the occurrence of events that would cause the Stable Value Fund to transact at less than contract value is not probable.

Limitations on the Ability of the Stable Value Fund to Transact at Contract Value:

Restrictions on the Plan Participant-initiated transactions are those transactions allowed by the Plan, including withdrawals for benefits, loans, or transfers to noncompeting funds within a plan, but excluding withdrawals that are deemed to be caused by the actions of the Plan Sponsor. The following employer-initiated events may limit the ability of the Stable Value Fund to transact at contract value:

A failure of the Plan or its trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA;

Any communication given to Plan participants designed to influence a participant not to invest in the Stable Value Fund or to transfer assets out of the Stable Value Fund;

Any transfer of assets from the Stable Value Fund directly into a competing investment option;

The establishment of a defined contribution plan that competes with the Plan for employee contributions; or

Complete or partial termination of the Plan or its merger with another plan.

Circumstances That Impact the Stable Value Fund The Stable Value Fund invests in assets, typically fixed income securities or bond funds, and enters into "wrapper" contracts issued by third parties. A wrap contract is an agreement by another party, such as a bank or insurance company, to make payments to the Stable Value Fund in certain circumstances. Wrap contracts are designed to allow a stable value portfolio to maintain a constant NAV and protect a portfolio in extreme circumstances. In a typical wrap contract, the wrap issuer agrees to pay a portfolio the difference between the contract value and the market value of the underlying assets once the market value has been totally exhausted.

The wrap contracts generally contain provisions that limit the ability of the Stable Value Fund to transact at contract value upon the occurrence of certain events. These events include:

Any substantive modification of the Stable Value Fund or the administration of the Stable Value Fund that is not consented to by the wrap issuer;

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Any change in law, regulation, or administrative ruling applicable to a plan that could have a material adverse effect on the Stable Value Fund's cash flow; and

Employer-initiated transactions by participating plans as described above.

In the event that wrap contracts fail to perform as intended, the Stable Value Fund's NAV may decline if the market value of its assets declines. The Stable Value Fund's ability to receive amounts due pursuant to these wrap contracts is dependent on the third-party issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The wrap issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations under the wrap contracts may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

The Stable Value Fund is unlikely to maintain a stable NAV if, for any reason, it cannot obtain or maintain wrap contracts covering all of its underlying assets. This could result from the Stable Value Fund's inability to promptly find a replacement wrap contract following termination of a wrap contract. Wrap contracts are not transferable and have no trading market. There are a limited number of wrap issuers. The Stable Value Fund may lose the benefit of wrap contracts on any portion of its assets in default in excess of a certain percentage of portfolio assets.

6. EXEMPT PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain of the underlying investments of the Plan's investment in the Master Trust are held in shares of mutual funds and units of the Stable Value Fund managed by FMTC. FMTC is the trustee, as defined by the Plan and associated trust agreement and, therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions. Fees paid by the Plan for investment management services were funded from the expense ratios of the various funds.

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, the Plan held 1,106,585 and 976,791 units, respectively, of the General Cable Stock Fund which includes cash and common stock of General Cable Corporation, a participating employer, with a cost basis of \$6,609,737 and \$5,864,863, respectively. During the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010, the Plan recorded no dividend income associated with this investment.

Notes receivable from participants in the amount of \$7,970,591 and \$7,765,627 were outstanding at December 31, 2011 and 2010, respectively.

7. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intention to do so and subject to the terms of any applicable collective bargaining agreements, the Plan Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA by duly adopted written resolution of the Board of Directors of the Plan Sponsor. In the event of termination, the assets of the Plan credited to each participant's account become fully vested and non-forfeitable, and the Plan assets will be allocated to provide benefits to participants as set forth in the Plan, or as otherwise required by law.

8. INTEREST IN MASTER TRUST

Certain of the Plan's investment assets are held in a trust account at the Trustee and consist of an undivided interest in an investment account of the Master Trust, a master trust established by the Company and administered by the Trustee. Use of the Master Trust permits the commingling of trust assets with the assets of the General Cable Retirement and Savings Plan for Salaried Associates, another plan sponsored by the Company, for investment and administrative purposes. Although assets of both

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plans are commingled in the Master Trust, the Trustee maintains supporting records for the purpose of allocating the net gain or loss of the investment account to the participating plans. The net investment income of the investment assets is allocated by the Trustee to each participating plan based on the relationship of the interest of each plan to the total of the interests of the participating plans.

The investments of the Master Trust at December 31, 2011 and 2010 are summarized as follows:

	2011	2010
Investments whose fair value is determined based on quoted market prices:		
Common/collective trust fund		