SANGER STEPHEN W

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SANGER STEPHEN W Issuer Symbol GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title GENERAL MILLS INC, NUMBER 01/04/2005 below) ONE GENERAL MILLS BLVD Chairman and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426 Person

(City)	(State) (Zi	p) Table l	- Non-	Der	ivative Sec	curitie	s Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.	4. Securities Acquired action(A) or Disposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) 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	12/27/2004		G	V	19,340	D	\$0	0	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/30/2004		G	V	440	D	\$0	0	D	
COMMON STOCK	01/04/2005		G	V	220	D	\$0	868,468	D	
COMMON STOCK	12/27/2004		G	V	440	A	\$ 0	3,505	I	(See Footnote)
COMMON STOCK	12/27/2004		G	V	440	A	\$0	3,505	I	(See Footnote)

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			(3)
COMMON STOCK	10,087	I	(See Footnote)
COMMON STOCK	100	I	(See Footnote)

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. StionNumber of Securiti Acquire (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3 4, and 5	(Month/Day ve es d d	Pate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (E	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	irector 10% Owner Officer		Other			
SANGER STEPHEN W							
GENERAL MILLS INC	X		Chairman and CEO				
NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BLVD	Λ		Chairman and CEO				
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426							

Signatures

Elizabeth Wittenberg by Power of Attorney on behalf of STEPHEN
SANGER
01/18/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Held in Trust by the Trustee of the General Mills Savings Plan.
- (2) By Spouse.
- (3) Shares held in irrevocable trust for the benefit of reporting person's child(ren).

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