

GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING CO
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Nichols Alan R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING CO [GPK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1500 RIVEREDGE PARKWAY, SUITE 100
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/23/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, Mills

ATLANTA, GA 30328

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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) | 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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|---|--|
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| (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|--|---|-------------------------|--------------------|--|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Ar or Nu of |
| Service-Based Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/23/2017 | A | | 24,696 | | (1) | (2) | Common Stock | 2 |
| Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/23/2017 | A | | 49,393 | | (1) | (2) | Common Stock | 4 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Nichols Alan R 1500 RIVEREDGE PARKWAY SUITE 100 ATLANTA, GA 30328 | | | SVP, Mills | |

Signatures

/s/ Alan R. Nichols By: Laura Lynn Church
Attorney-in-Fact
02/27/2017

__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) Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units and Service-Based Restricted Stock Units vest and become payable on the third anniversary of the date of grant, except in cases of death, disability, retirement, involuntary termination or change in control.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units expire upon the conversion and payment in shares of the Company's Common Stock as described under "Date Exercisable."

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