

GILMARTIN RAYMOND V
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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 *
 GILMARTIN RAYMOND V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

MERCK & COMPANY, INC., ONE
 MERCK DRIVE

(Street)

WHITEHOUSE
 STATION, NJ 08889

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/26/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
RESTRICTED UNITS	09/26/2005		A ⁽²⁾	(A) or (D) Price	1,000 ⁽³⁾ 16,010	D	

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)

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
OPTION TO BUY	\$ 45.78	09/26/2005		A ⁽¹⁾	10,000	09/25/2006 09/26/2015	COMMON STOCK	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GILMARTIN RAYMOND V MERCK & COMPANY, INC. ONE MERCK DRIVE WHITEHOUSE STATION, NJ 08889		X		

Signatures

Trevor Gunderson by Power of Attorney on behalf of RAYMOND GILMARTIN 09/27/2005

__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) Non-Employee Director option (right to buy) granted under the General Mills, Inc. 2001 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (2) Restricted stock unit award granted under the General Mills, Inc. 2001 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of General Mills, Inc. - no set value.
- (3) Following retirement, on date(s) selected in advance by Reporting Person, Reporting Person shall be eligible to receive one share of common stock for each restricted stock unit.

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