SHULAR CRAIG S

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type	e Responses)										
			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD [GTI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) C/O GRAD INTERNA SNOW RO	FTECH ATIONAL LTD., 1	(of Earliest (Day/Year) 2009	Fransaction			_X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman, CEO & President				
				endment, I onth/Day/Ye	Oate Origina ar)	al		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities A	.cquired, Dispos	ed of, or Bene	eficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution D any (Month/Day.	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	on(A) or Dis (D)	sposed	1 of 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)	
Common Stock	04/01/2009			A	73,051	A	\$ 0	73,051	D (1)		
Common Stock								99,306	D (2)		
Common Stock								67,548	D (3)		
Common Stock								97,000	D (4)		
								99,933	D		

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Common Stock			
Common Stock	19,310	D	
Common Stock	38,702	I	By Compensation Deferral Plan
Common Stock	30,503	I	By Savings Plan (6)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	of De Se Ac (A Di of (Ir	umb	ative ties red sed	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A	A) ((D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Time options (right to buy)	\$ 14							<u>(7)</u>	02/28/2010	Common Stock	30,000	
Time options (right to buy)	\$ 8.56							<u>(7)</u>	12/15/2010	Common Stock	100,000	
Time options (right to buy)	\$ 8.85							<u>(7)</u>	09/25/2011	Common Stock	87,000	
Stock options (right to	\$ 9.05							<u>(8)</u>	04/02/2017	Common Stock	300,000	

buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHULAR CRAIG S C/O GRAFTECH INTERNATIONAL LTD. 12900 SNOW ROAD PARMA, OH 44130

Chairman, CEO & President

Signatures

/s/John D. Moran, Attorney-in-Fact for Craig S. Shular

04/03/2009

**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).
- In response to the current economic environment, the Board previously elected to make payment of 50% of the award payable under the Company's 2008 annual incentive plan by granting shares (with a value on March 31, 2009 equal to that amount) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. Represents the number of shares so issued and receipt of which were conditioned upon the executive's continued employment as of April 3, 2009.
- On October 23, 2006, the Company granted 130,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program, all of which will cliff vest in February 2010, subject to accelerated vesting if certain performance targets were met. One-third of such shares vested in each of February 2008 and 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- On October 4, 2007, the Company granted 77,000 restricted shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive Program.

 One-third of the restricted shares shall vest on each of February 26, 2010 and February 28, 2011, but only if certain performance targets are met. One-third of such shares vested February 27, 2009. The holdings are net of shares previously withheld, or sold under a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan, to cover withholding taxes.
- On December 15, 2008, the Company granted 97,000 performance shares under the Company's Management Long Term Incentive
 Program, which represent the right to receive shares contingent upon the achievement of one or more performance measures. Shares that are earned upon the attainment of applicable performance targets shall vest on February 29, 2012. The ultimate number of shares is subject to adjustment based on actual performance.
- (5) 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.
- (6) Represents the number of units attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company Stock Fund option of the GrafTech International Holdings Inc. Savings Plan.
- (7) All such options have fully vested.
- On April 2, 2007, the Company approved, under the terms of the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan, a grant of 300,000 options, which vest in equal thirds on April 2 of each of 2008, 2009 and 2010. The vested portions of such options become exercisable upon vesting.

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