

RYAN ROBERT L  
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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 \*  
RYAN ROBERT L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2262 WEST LAKE OF THE ISLES  
PARKWAY

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55405

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/08/2010

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/08/2010		M		10,000	A	\$ 48.49 16,080
Common Stock	04/08/2010		S		10,000	D	\$ 69.5028 6,080 <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	04/08/2010		M		10,000	A	\$ 55.11 16,080
Common Stock	04/08/2010		S		10,000	D	\$ 69.5028 6,080 <u>(1)</u>

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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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nun of S
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 48.49	04/08/2010		M	10,000	09/25/2006 10/24/2015	Common Stock	10
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 55.11	04/08/2010		M	10,000	09/24/2007 09/25/2016	Common Stock	10

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RYAN ROBERT L  
2262 WEST LAKE OF THE ISLES PARKWAY  
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55405

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## Signatures

By: Christopher A Rauschl For: Robert L Ryan

04/09/2010

\*\*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) Represents the weighted average of actual sale prices that range from \$69.50 to \$69.53. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price is available upon request of the Securities and Exchange Commission or any security holder of the company.
- (2) Non-Employee Director option (right to buy) granted under the General Mills, Inc. 2001 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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- (3) Automatic grant of Non-Employee Director stock option (right to buy) under the General Mills, Inc. 2006 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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