GENERAL MILLS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ESREY WILLIAM T**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

09/25/2008

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

108 SOUTH FRONTAGE RD W.

(Street)

(State)

SUITE 210

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

VAIL, CO 81657

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y 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. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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	09/25/2008		M	5,000	A	\$ 35.625	34,648.9309	D	
Common Stock	09/25/2008		S	5,000	D	\$ 68.81 (1)	29,648.9309	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)

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 on f 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 Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
	Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.625	09/25/2008		M	5,000	09/28/1999	09/28/2008	Common Stock	5,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ESREY WILLIAM T

108 SOUTH FRONTAGE RD W, SUITE 210 X

VAIL, CO 81657

Signatures

By: Trevor V. Gunderson For: William T.

Esrey 09/29/2008

**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
- (2) Non-Employee Director option (right to buy) granted under the General Mills, Inc. 1996 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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