#### **GENUINE PARTS CO**

Form 4

January 10, 2012

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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**SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue.

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

**PKWY** 

**GENUINE PARTS** 

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **GALLAGHER THOMAS** 

COMPANY, 2999 CIRCLE 75

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

GENUINE PARTS CO [GPC]

(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

01/06/2012

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

Table I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Paneficially On

ATLANTA, GA 30339

(,)	(23332)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	irea, Disposea of	, or Beneficiall	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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/06/2012		M	30,000	A	\$ 61.93	436,025 (1)	D	
Common Stock	01/06/2012		F	21,751	D	\$ 61.93	414,274 (1)	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2012		M	12,000	A	\$ 61.52	426,274 <u>(1)</u>	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)

Der Sec	itle of ivative urity ttr. 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Sto Ap Rig	preciation	\$ 36.58	01/06/2012		M	30,000	04/19/2005	04/19/2014	Common Stock	30,0
Sto	nployee ock Option ght to y)	\$ 36.58	01/06/2012		M	30,000	04/19/2005	04/19/2014	Common Stock	30,0
Sto	nployee ock Option ght to y)	\$ 32.04	01/09/2012		M	12,000	08/19/2003	08/19/2012	Common Stock	12,0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Transfer of the second	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GALLAGHER THOMAS							
GENUINE PARTS COMPANY 2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY	X		Chief Executive Officer				

## **Signatures**

ATLANTA, GA 30339

Carol B. Yancey Attorney 01/10/2012 in Fact

\*\*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) Includes 2,545 shares acquired through Genuine Partnership Plan (401-K)

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