

GENERAL MILLS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**HOPE RICHARDS JUDITH**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O 875 15TH STREET, NW, 10TH FLOOR**

(Street)

**WASHINGTON, DC 20005**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**09/22/2008**

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)
Common Stock	09/22/2008		A <sup>(1)</sup>	V 1,321 (2)	(A) or (D) \$ 0 (1) 28,207.2428	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 68.17	09/22/2008		A <sup>(3)</sup>	6,602	09/28/2009 09/22/2018	Common Stock	6,602

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOPE RICHARDS JUDITH C/O 875 15TH STREET, NW 10TH FLOOR WASHINGTON, DC 20005	X			

## Signatures

By: Trevor V. Gunderson For: Judith R. Hope 09/24/2008

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) Automatic grant of restricted stock under the General Mills, Inc. 2006 Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (2) Following vest, on date(s) selected in advance by Reporting Person, Reporting Person will receive one share of common stock for each restricted stock unit.
- (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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