HOPE RICHARDS JUDITH

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOPE RICHARDS JUDITH | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|--|--------------|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) (Mid | ldle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| C/O 875 15TH STREET, NW, 10TH FLOOR | | (Month/Day/Year) 12/21/2009 | XDirector10% Owner Other (specify below) | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| WASHINGTON, DC 20005 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tak | ole I - Non- | Derivativ | e Seci | ırities Acqui | ired, Disposed 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Secur or Dispo (Instr. 3, | (A) | ` ′ | 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 | 12/21/2009 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 34.41 | 35,171.8369 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2009 | | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 69.79 | 30,171.8369 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2009 | | M | 5,000 | A | \$ 34.41 | 35,171.8369 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2009 | | S | 5,000 | D | \$ 69.6538 | 30,171.8369 | 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on 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 | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Num of Share |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 34.41 | 12/21/2009 | | M | 5,000 | 09/24/2001 | 09/25/2010 | Common Stock | 5,0 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 34.41 | 12/21/2009 | | M | 5,000 | 09/24/2001 | 09/25/2010 | Common Stock | 5,0 |

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: Christopher A Rauschl For: Judith R 12/22/2009 Hope

> **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).
- Represents the weighted average of actual sale prices that range from \$69.65 to \$69.66. 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.

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

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