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FORM 4 LINITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANCE COMMISSION								OWNESION		OMB APPROVAL		
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(Print or Type Res	ponses)											
1. Name and Adda DEMERITT S	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENERAL MILLS INC [GIS]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of E	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					(Check all applicable)			
GENERAL MILLS, NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BLVD.			(Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2004				X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Vice Chairman					
		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
MINNEAPOL	.IS, MN 554	26	Filed(Month	/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M			
									Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-D	eri	vative Se	curiti	es Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	Year) Exect any	Deemed ution Date, if th/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8	5)	4. Securi nAcquirec Disposec (Instr. 3, Amount	l (A) c l of (E))	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	12/09/2004					200	D	\$ 0	163,985	D		
COMMON STOCK									8,824	I	See Footnote (2)	
COMMON STOCK									1,840	Ι	See Footnote	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	/Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secu
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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					(A) or						Repo
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					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
						Date	Expiration	T1 · 1	Amount or		
						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares		
				cout v	(\mathbf{D})				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DEMERITT STEPHEN R GENERAL MILLS NUMBER ONE GENERAL MILLS BLVD. MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55426	Х		Vice Chairman	
Signatures				
Elizabeth Wittenberg by Power of Attorney or	12/09/2004			

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<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

nation of Responses:

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) By spouse. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership.
- (2) Held in Trust by the Trustee of the General Mills Savings Plan.

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