

GENERAL CABLE CORP /DE/  
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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SIVIRD ROBERT J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
4 TESSENEER DRIVE  
(Street)

HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GENERAL CABLE CORP /DE/  
[BGC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/22/2008

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)  
Exec. VP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/22/2008		M	438 A \$ 4	69,096	D	
Common Stock	05/22/2008		S	438 D \$ 70.2737	68,658	D	
Common Stock	05/23/2008		M	12,562 A \$ 4	81,220	D	
Common Stock	05/23/2008		S	12,562 D \$ 70.1716	68,658	D	
Common Stock - Deferred					91,948 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By GCC Trusts

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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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4	05/22/2008		M	438	01/28/2006 01/28/2013	Common Stock	60,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4	05/23/2008		M	12,562	01/28/2006 01/28/2013	Common Stock	60,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SIVERD ROBERT J 4 TESSENEER DRIVE HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076			Exec. VP and General Counsel	

## Signatures

Robert J. Siverd 05/23/2008

\*\*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) Indirect holdings of Mr. Siverd in General Cable Common Stock which are held in unitized funds.

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