

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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec. VP and General Counsel

HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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  | (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                      |        |
| 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<br>4 TESSENEER DRIVE<br>HIGHLAND HEIGHTS, KY 41076 |               |           | Exec. VP<br>and General<br>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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