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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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GENUINE PARTS CO

CIK: **40987** | IRS No.: **580254510** | State of Incorporation: **GA** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **5013** Motor vehicle supplies & new parts

Mailing Address
2999 CIRCLE 75 PARKWAY
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REPORTING OWNER

GALLAGHER THOMAS

CIK: **1216098**
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-05690** | Film No.: **111184608**

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2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY
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Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person GALLAGHER THOMAS			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENUINE PARTS CO [GPC]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/03/2011					
GENUINE PARTS COMPANY, 2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
ATLANTA, GA 30339								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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	11/03/2011		<u>M</u>		26,990	A	\$32.04	420,582 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2011		<u>F</u>		20,000	D	\$58.255	400,582 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$32.04	11/03/2011		<u>M</u>		26,990		08/19/2003	08/19/2012	Common Stock	26,990	\$32.04	88,010	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes 2,545 shares acquired through Genuine Partnership Plan (401-K)

Signatures

Carol B. Yancey Attorney in Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

11/07/2011

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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