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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement GENUINE PARTS CO [GPC] Donahue Paul D (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) ATLANTA, GAÂ 30339 Form filed by More than One **Executive Vice President** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 760 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.},\ puts,\ calls,\ warrants,\ options,\ convertible\ securities)$

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisab	le and	3. Title and A	mount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities Un	derlying	Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
			Derivative Security		or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
						or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/01/2004	10/01/2013	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 32.05	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right (2)	04/19/2005(3)	04/19/2014	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 36.58	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	04/19/2005(3)	04/19/2014	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 36.58	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	2,400	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right (2)	03/14/2006(3)	03/14/2015	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 43.93	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	03/14/2006(3)	03/14/2015	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 43.93	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	(6)	Common Stock	2,113	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right (2)	03/27/2007(3)	03/27/2016	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 44.2	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	03/27/2007(3)	03/27/2016	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 44.2	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(7)	(7)	Common Stock	2,400	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Right (2)	03/27/2008(3)	03/27/2017	Common Stock	24,000	\$ 49.16	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) (2)	03/27/2008(3)	03/27/2017	Common Stock	24,000	\$ 49.16	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(8)	(8)	Common Stock	3,100	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. Programme and the same	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Donahue Paul D 2999 CIRCLE 75 PKWY ATLANTA, GA 30339	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		
Signatures						
Carol B. Yancey Attorney in Fact	08/21/2007					
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date				

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Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Includes 260 shares acquired through Genuine Partnership Plan (401-K)
- (2) The stock appreciation right and the employee stock option were granted in tandem. Accordingly, the exercise of one results in the expiration of the other.
- (3) The stock appreciation rights vest 1/3 per year beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date provided the reporting person is still employed on those dates, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.
- (4) The restricted stock units will vest and convert to shares of common stock on December 31, 2008 provided the reporting person is still employed on that date, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.
- (5) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of GPC common stock at a future date.
- (6) The restricted stock units will vest and convert to shares of common stock on December 31, 2009 provided the reporting person is still employed on that date, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.
- (7) The restricted stock units will vest and convert to shares of common stock on December 31, 2010 provided the reporting person is still employed on that date, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.
- The restricted stock units will be earned on December 31, 2007 provided certain pre-tax profit targets are achieved by GPC for fiscal year (8) 2007. If earned, the units will vest and convert to shares of common stock on December 31, 2011 provided the reporting person is still employed on that date, subject to earlier vesting in certain events.

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