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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 19, 2011 (April 18, 2011) GREIF, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-00566 31-4388903

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

425 Winter Road, Delaware, Ohio

43015

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (740) 549-6000

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

Item 5.02(b)

Michael J. Gasser

On April 18, 2011, Michael J. Gasser announced that he will step down from his position as Chief Executive Officer of Greif, Inc. (the Company) effective as of November 1, 2011, which is the beginning of the 2012 fiscal year. Mr. Gasser will continue to serve as executive Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company. The Company issued a press release regarding this announcement on April 18, 2011.

Item 5.02(c)

David B. Fischer

The press release also announced that, effective as of November 1, 2011, David B. Fischer, currently the Company s President and Chief Operating Officer, will succeed Mr. Gasser as the Company s Chief Executive Officer.

Mr. Fischer, 48, has served as the Company s President and Chief Operating Officer since 2007. From 2004 to 2007, Mr. Fischer served as the Company s Senior Vice President and Divisional President, Industrial Packaging & Services Americas, which also included responsibility for Africa. He assumed additional responsibility for Australia and Asia

The full text of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

in 2005 and 2006, respectively.

Press release issued by Greif, Inc. on April 18, 2011 announcing that David B. Fischer to Succeed Michael J. Gasser as Greif, Inc. Chief Executive Officer.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

GREIF, INC.

Date: April 19, 2011 By /s/ Robert M. McNutt

Robert M. McNutt, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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