**GRIFFON CORP** Form 4

March 11, 2008 FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* MITAROTONDA JAMES A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol **GRIFFON CORP [GFF]** 

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2008

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner \_ Other (specify Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P., 888 SEVENTH **AVENUE 17TH FL** 

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secı	ırities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price			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)
Common Stock	03/07/2008			6,612	, ,		494,128	I	By Barrington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. (1) (2)
Common Stock	03/07/2008		P	11,404	A	\$ 7.9618	852,145	I	By Barrington Companies Offshore Fund, Ltd (1)

								(2)
Common Stock	03/07/2008	P	4,384	A	\$ 7.9618	327,578	I	By Barrington Investments, L.P. (1) (2)
Common Stock						935	D	

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)	4. Transa Code (Instr.	ction 8)	5. inNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code.	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

X

MITAROTONDA JAMES A C/O BARINGTON CAPITAL GROUP, L.P. 888 SEVENTH AVENUE 17TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10019

**Signatures** 

/s/ James A.
Mitarotonda

03/11/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
  - The Reporting Person is the sole stockholder and director of LNA Capital Corp., which is the general partner of Barington Capital Group, L.P., which is the majority member of each of Barington Companies Investors, LLC ("Barington Investors"), Barington Companies
- (1) Advisors, LLC ("Barington Advisors") and Barington Offshore Advisors II, LLC ("Barington Offshore II"). Barington Investors is the general partner of Barington Companies Equity Partners, L.P. Barington Advisors is the general partner of Barington Investments, L.P. Barington Offshore II is the investment advisor to Barington Companies Offshore Fund, Ltd.
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