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Washington, D.C. 20549

See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Form 4

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer GRADINGER J GARY Symbol MGP INGREDIENTS INC [MGPI] (Check all applicable) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title 06/30/2008 Other (specify below) below) 3700 WYNCOTE LANE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) **SHAWNEE** _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person MISSION, KSÂ 66205 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Amount Common Â Â Â Â Â Â 2.007 D Stock

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)

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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)	;		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 10.45	Â	Â	Â	Â	04/17/2006	10/14/2015	Common Stock	2,000

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GRADINGER J GARY 3700 WYNCOTE LANE SHAWNEE MISSION, KS 66205	ÂX	Â	Â	Â		

Signatures

J. Gary
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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) Includes 3,802.1753 shares acquired between the period of 7/2/2007 and 6/30/2008 under ESPP in a transaction exempt under 16b-3(c). Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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