

GREIF INC  
Form 8-K  
December 14, 2012

**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): December 14, 2012 (December 11, 2012)**

**GREIF, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-00566**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**31-4388903**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**425 Winter Road, Delaware, Ohio**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**43015**  
(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Section 2 Financial Information**

**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On December 11, 2012, Greif, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release (the Earnings Release) announcing the financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended October 31, 2012. The full text of the Earnings Release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The Earnings Release included the following non-GAAP financial measures (the non-GAAP Measures):

- (i) net income attributable to the Company before special items on a consolidated basis, which is equal to net income attributable to the Company plus restructuring charges, acquisition-related costs and a non-cash intangible asset impairment charge, each item net of tax and on a consolidated basis;
- (ii) diluted earnings per Class A share before special items on a consolidated basis, which is equal to diluted earnings per Class A share attributable to the Company plus restructuring charges, acquisition-related costs and a non-cash intangible asset impairment charge, each item net of tax and on a consolidated basis;
- (iii) operating profit attributable to the Company before special items on a consolidated basis, which is equal to the operating profit attributable to the Company plus restructuring charges, acquisition-related costs and a non-cash intangible asset impairment charge, each on a consolidated basis;
- (iv) EBITDA of the Company on a consolidated basis, which is equal to net income plus interest expense, net plus income tax expense less equity earnings of unconsolidated affiliates, net of tax plus depreciation, depletion and amortization, each on a consolidated basis;
- (v) EBITDA for each of the Company's business segments, which is equal to a business segment's operating profit less that segment's other expense (income), net plus that segment's depreciation, depletion and amortization expense, as applicable to that segment;
- (vi) EBITDA of the Company before special items on a consolidated basis, which is equal to EBITDA plus restructuring charges, acquisition-related costs and a non-cash intangible asset impairment charge, each on a consolidated basis;
- (vii) net working capital of the Company on a consolidated basis, which is equal to current assets less current liabilities less cash and cash equivalents, each on a consolidated basis;
- (viii) free cash flows of the Company on a consolidated basis, which is equal to cash provided by (used in) operating activities less purchases of properties, plants, equipment and timber properties.

Management of the Company uses the non-GAAP Measures to evaluate ongoing operations and believes that these non-GAAP Measures are useful to enable investors to perform meaningful comparisons of current and historical performance of the Company. Management of the Company also believes that the non-GAAP Measures provide a more stable platform on which to compare the historical performance of the Company than the most nearly equivalent GAAP data.

**Section 7 Regulation FD**

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

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On December 12, 2012, management of the Company held a conference call with interested investors and financial analysts to discuss the Company's financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended October 31, 2012. The file transcript is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

**Section 8 Other Events**

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

Exhibit 99.3 to this Form 8-K includes certain quarterly statistical information for Greif, Inc. and its subsidiaries for each of the four quarters ended in fiscal years 2010, 2011 and 2012, respectively. This information is being disclosed under both Items 7.01 and 8.01 of this Form 8-K and shall be considered furnished under Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section.

**Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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99.2	File transcript of conference call held by management of Greif, Inc. on December 12, 2012.
99.3	Greif, Inc. certain quarterly statistical information for each quarter in the fiscal years ended October 31, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

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: December 14, 2012

By /s/ Robert M. McNutt  
Robert M. McNutt,

Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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