CLARKE DAVID

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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

Person *

 CLARKE DAVID

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/08/2011

GSI GROUP INC [GSIG]

4. Relationship of Reporting

(Check all applicable)

(give title below) (specify below)

Vice President

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O GSI GROUP INC., 125 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE

(Street)

Director

_X__ Officer

Person(s) to Issuer

10% Owner Other

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

BEDFORD, MAÂ 01730

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

(Instr. 4)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Title Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Restricted Stock Units $\frac{(1)}{}$ \hat{A} $\frac{(1)(2)}{}$ \hat{A} $\frac{(1)(2)}{}$ Common Stock 10,000 \$ 0 D \hat{A}

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CLARKE DAVID C/O GSI GROUP INC. 125 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE BEDFORD, MAÂ 01730

 \hat{A} \hat{A} \hat{A} Vice President \hat{A}

Signatures

Paula A Pluta, Attorney-in-fact 08/11/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents the right to receive one GSI Group Inc. common share upon vesting of such Restricted Stock Unit

(2) The Restricted Stock Units vest in three equal annual installments on March 31, 2012, March 31, 2013 and March 31, 2014.

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Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney attached

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