

Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

Part I Reporting Issuer

1 Issuer's name GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION		2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) 06-1398235	
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8 Date of action VARIOUS (SEE BELOW)		9 Classification and description COMMON	
10 CUSIP number 369300108	11 Serial number(s)	12 Ticker symbol BGC	13 Account number(s)

Part II Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶

DATE OF RECORD:	AMOUNT PER SHARE:	DATE PAID:
MARCH 4, 2016	\$0.18/SHARE	MARCH 25, 2016
JUNE 3, 2016	\$0.18/SHARE	JUNE 24, 2016
SEPTEMBER 9, 2016	\$0.18/SHARE	SEPTEMBER 30, 2016
DECEMBER 9, 2016	\$0.18/SHARE	DECEMBER 30, 2016

15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶ **THE DISTRIBUTIONS MADE BY GENERAL CABLE CORPORATION (NYSE: BGC) IN 2016 WERE NON-DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTIONS AND TREATED AS A RETURN OF CAPITAL. A RETURN OF CAPITAL REDUCES THE SHAREHOLDER'S ADJUSTED TAX BASIS UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 301(C)(2) IN BGC SHARES, AND TO THE EXTENT THE BASIS REDUCTION EXCEEDS THE SHAREHOLDER'S BASIS IN BGC SHARES, WILL BE TAXED AS A GAIN FROM THE SALE OF THE SHARES PURSUANT TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 301(C)(3).**

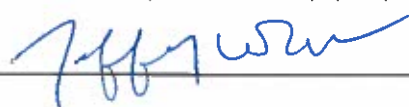
16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶ **ALL DISTRIBUTIONS MADE DURING 2016 WERE IN EXCESS OF EARNINGS AND PROFITS AND, THEREFORE, CONSTITUTE A RETURN OF CAPITAL.**

Part II Organizational Action (continued)

17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶ 301(C) AND 316(A)

18 Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶ N/A

19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶ THE BASIS CHANGES BEING REPORTED IMPACT DISTRIBUTIONS THAT WERE MADE DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016; CONSEQUENTLY, THE REPORTABLE YEAR IS 2016. THESE NON-DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTIONS ARE NOT TAXABLE AS ORDINARY DIVIDEND INCOME, BUT RESULT IN A REDUCTION IN THE TAX BASIS OF THE UNDERLYING SHARES. SHAREHOLDERS SHOULD CONSULT THEIR TAX ADVISOR FOR FURTHER INFORMATION REGARDING THEIR SPECIFIC TAX SITUATION.

Sign Here	Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.			
	Signature ▶ 	Date ▶ <u>1-8-16</u>		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print your name ▶ <u>JEFFREY J. WHELAN</u>	Preparer's signature	Title ▶ <u>VICE PRESIDENT-TAX</u>	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed
	Print/Type preparer's name	Date	PTIN	
	Firm's name ▶	Firm's EIN ▶		
	Firm's address ▶	Phone no.		