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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Sovey, William P.
 97 Hird Lane
 Cottage 493
 Sea Island, GA 31561
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Newell Rubbermaid Inc. (NWL)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
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4. Statement for Month/Year
 2/2001 R1
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
 02/20/2001
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Vice Chairman of the Board
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount A/D Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship 401 (k) Plan
Common Stock	02/12/2001	M	46110 A \$14.7500		D	
Common Stock	02/12/2001	J (1)	-25723 D \$26.4400	329754	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2001	L	405.8014 A \$0.0000	7508.7214	I	401 (k) Plan

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Deriv- ative Security	3. Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	4. Transac- tion Code Code V	5. Acquired (A) Disposed (D) (A) (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title of Underlying Securities	8. Amount or Number of Shares	9. Price of Derivative Security	10. Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Owned at End of Month	11. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or Bene- ficial Owner- ship (I)
Option (Right to Buy)		02/12/2001	M	46110	02/13/2001	Common Stock	46110	\$26.4400	0	D

Explanation of Responses:
 (1) Stock Swap

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /s/ William P. Sovey

DATE
 03/09/2001