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(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Telephone	8317241011
CIK	0000861459
Symbol	GVA
SIC Code	1600 - Heavy Construction Other Than Bldg Const - Contractors
Industry	Construction Services
Sector	Capital Goods
Fiscal Year	12/31

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
Franich John Anthony (Last) (First) (Middle)	**GRANITE CONSTRUCTION INC [GVA]**	____ Director ____ 10% Owner __ **X** __ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
585 W. BEACH STREET (Street)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) **3/14/2012**	**Vice President**
WATSONVILLE, CA 95076 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _ **X** _ 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 (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	**3/14/2012**		**A**		**2802** (1)	**A**	**$26.17**	**18736.77**	**D**	
Common Stock	**3/14/2012**		**A**		**6304** (2)	**A**	**$29.09**	**25040.77**	**D**	
Common Stock								**211** (3)	**I**	**ESOP**

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Stock units granted pursuant to the Granite Construction Incorporated Amended and Restated 1999 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The stock units vest 100% upon receipt.

(2) Stock units granted pursuant to the Granite Construction Incorporated Amended and Restated 1999 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The stock units vest over a 3-year period, vesting 1/3 per year beginning one year from grant date.

(3) Previously reported.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Franich John Anthony **585 W. BEACH STREET** **WATSONVILLE, CA 95076**			**Vice President**	

Signatures

Richard A. Watts, Attorney-in-fact, for John Anthony Franich — **3/27/2012**

** Signature of Reporting Person — Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

FOR SECTION 16(a) REPORTING

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints James H. Roberts, Terry K. Eller, Richard A. Watts and Nancy Va

1. prepare, execute and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any national securities exchange or securities quotation system and Granite Construct

2. obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information regarding transactions in the Company's equity securities from any

The undersigned acknowledges that:

1. this Limited Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, the Attorney-in-Fact to act at his or her discretion on information provided to such Attorn

2. any documents prepared or executed by the Attorney-in-Fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Limited Power of Attorney will be in such form and

3. neither the Company nor the Attorney-in-Fact assumes any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirements of Section 16 of the

4. this Limited Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under Section 16 of th

The undersigned hereby grants to the Attorney-in-Fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite, necessary or convenien

The execution by the undersigned of this Limited Power of Attorney hereby expressly revokes and terminates any powers of attorney previously granted by the und

This Limited Power of Attorney shall be governed and construed in accordance the laws of the State of California without regard to conflict-of-law principles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Limited Power of Attorney as of this 7th day of November 2011.

Signature: /s/ John A. Franich

Printed Name: John A. Franich