

BALL CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LEWIS DONALD CLYDE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

BALL CORPORATION, 10 LONGS
PEAK DR.

(Street)

BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BALL CORP [BLL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/24/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

RETIRED

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
				Code	V	Amount				
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M		3,000	A	\$ 23.745	50,670	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		S		1,605	D	\$ 44.36	49,065	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M		6,000	A	\$ 8.9063	55,065	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		S		1,204	D	\$ 44.36	53,861	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2005		M		500	A	\$ 28.155	54,361	D	

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Common Stock	03/24/2005	S	317	D	\$ 44.36	54,044	D	
Common Stock						1,910	I	401(k) plan

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.9063	03/24/2005		M	6,000	(1) 04/25/2005	Common Stock	6,000	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.745	03/24/2005		M	3,000	(1) 04/23/2012	Common Stock	3,000	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.155	03/24/2005		M	500	(1) 04/22/2013	Common Stock	500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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10 LONGS PEAK DR.
BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510

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Signatures

By: Charles E. Baker, GenCounsel&AsstCorpSec For: Donald C.
Lewis

03/28/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

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