

HOOVER R DAVID
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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 *
HOOVER R DAVID

(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)
05/03/2005

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)
CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT & CEO

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	05/03/2005		M		60,000 A \$ 11.0782	491,229	D
Common Stock	05/03/2005		F		16,781 D \$ 39.61	474,448	D
Common Stock	05/03/2005		F		17,755 D \$ 39.61	456,693	D
Common Stock	05/03/2005		G		25,464 D \$ 39.61	431,229	D
Common Stock	05/03/2005		G		19,536 D \$ 39.61	411,693	D

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Common Stock	05/03/2005	M	42,560	A	\$ 8.75	454,253	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2005	F	9,402	D	\$ 39.61	444,851	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2005	F	13,622	D	\$ 39.61	431,229	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2005	G	25,464	A	\$ 39.61	403,657	I	by trust <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	05/03/2005	G	19,536	A	\$ 39.61	423,193	I	by trust <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock						2,573	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)	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)	\$ 8.75	05/03/2005		M	42,560	<u>(2)</u> 09/23/2008	Common Stock	42,560	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.0782	05/03/2005		M	60,000	<u>(2)</u> 07/22/2008	Common Stock	60,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOOVER R DAVID BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR. BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510	X		CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT & CEO	

Signatures

By: Charles E. Baker VP, GenCoun&AsstCorpSec For: R. David Hoover

05/04/2005

__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) The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (2) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

Remarks:

Total number of Common Shares directly owned includes shares acquired through participation in the Ball Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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