

HOOVER R DAVID  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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)  
12/15/2010

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 & C.E.O. BALL CORP.

6. 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 (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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/15/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>		288.8684 A \$ 68.38	235,935.3465	D
Common Stock	12/16/2010		M <sup>(2)</sup>		17,500 A \$ 10.6125	253,435.3465	D
Common Stock	12/16/2010		S <sup>(3)</sup>		17,500 D \$ 68.4301	235,935.3465	D
Common Stock						3,742.906	I 401(k) Plan <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock						136,339	I By Trust <sup>(5)</sup>

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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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
					V	(A)	(D)		
Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan	(6)	12/15/2010		J(7)		293.0407	(8)	(8)	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.6125	12/16/2010		M(2)		17,500	(9)	03/06/2011	Common Stock

## 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 & C.E.O. BALL CORP.	

## Signatures

/s/ Charles E. Baker, attorney-in-fact for Mr. Hoover  
Date: 12/16/2010

\*\*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) Dividend reinvestment in Ball Corporation 2000 Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.
- (2) Exercise of stock options in accordance with reporting person's pre-arranged 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2010.
- (3) Sale of stock in accordance with reporting person's pre-arranged 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2010.
- (4)

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Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment, participant's contributions and employer matching contributions.

- (5) The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities in the Suzanne A. Hoover Trust.
- (6) Each unit may be settled for a single share of stock or the equivalent amount of cash pursuant to the Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.
- (7) Dividend reinvestment in Ball Corporation's Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.
- (8) Stock units in Ball Corporation's Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan are distributed upon the separation of service in accordance with the Plan.
- (9) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments and thereafter annually upon the anniversary of the date of the grant of the stock option.

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