

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 *
WESTERLUND DAVID A

(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)
03/15/2006

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)
SR VP, ADMIN & CORP SECRETARY

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	03/15/2006		M		10,000 A \$ 8.75	210,758	D
Common Stock	03/15/2006		S		10,000 D \$ 44.323	200,758	D
Common Stock	03/15/2006		J ⁽¹⁾		220 A \$ 44.2	200,978	D
Common Stock						3,616	I 401(k) plan
Common Stock						60,500	I by Spouse

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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.75	03/15/2006		M	10,000	⁽²⁾ 09/23/2008	Common Stock 10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WESTERLUND DAVID A BALL CORPORATION 10 LONGS PEAK DR. BROOMFIELD, CO 80021-2510			SR VP, ADMIN & CORP SECRETARY	

Signatures

By: Charles E. Baker, VP, GenCoun & Asst Corp Sec For: David A. Westerlund 03/16/2006

__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 Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.
- (2) Shares exercisable beginning one year after grant in 25% increments.

Remarks:

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The reporting person expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of spouse's securities. Total number of Common Shares direct

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