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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.  
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)  
Bradford, Douglas K.  
10 Longs Peak Dr.  
Broomfield, CO 80021-2510
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Ball Corporation (BLL)
3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year  
3/17/2003
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
CONTROLLER
7. 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	2) Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/Year)	3. Trans- action Code Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) A or D Price	5) Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6) Nature of Indirect or Ownership	7) Nature of Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock	03/17/03	J (1)	2	A \$53.6700	17,297	D Direct
Common Stock					968	I 401(k) plan

Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)

1) Title of Derivative Security	2) Conversion or Exercise	3) Trans- action	4) Trans- action	5) Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A)	6) Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
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1) Title of Derivative Security	3) Transaction Date	7) Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	Code or Disposed of (D)			9) Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	10) D or I	11) Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	V	A			
-		Title						

Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Dividend reinvestment in Ball Corporation Deferred Compensation Company Stock Plan.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON  
 /S/ By: Mary L. Rose, Dir., Exec. Comp. Prog.

For: Douglas K. Bradford

DATE 03/17/03