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Ball Corporation
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IRS-NUMBER 35-0160610
04/14/03
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.
    Name and Address of Reporting Person(s)
    Westerlund, David A.
    10 Longs Peak Dr.
    Broomfield, CO 80021-2510
    Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
    Ball Corporation (BLL)
    I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
    Statement for Month/Day/Year
    4/14/2003
    If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
    Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
    [ ] Director [ ] 10% Owner
    [X] Officer (give title below) [ ] Other (specify below)
    SR VP, ADMINISTRATION, AND CORPORATE SECRETARY
    Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
    [X] 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
                                                   2)Trans- 3.Trans- 4.Securities Acquired(A) 5)Amount of 6) 7)Nature of action action or Disposed of (D) Securities Indirect

Date Code A Beneficially D Beneficial (Month/ or Owned at or Ownership Day/Year) Code V Amount D Price End of Month I
1) Title of Security
D Direct
I 401(k) plan
I by Spouse
                                                    04/11/03 A
                                                                            244
                                                                                                              72,378
Common Stock
                                                                                                              2,627
Common Stock
Common Stock
                                                                                                              25,000
Table II (PART 1) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1 through 6)
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                           2) Conversion 3) Trans- 4) Trans- 5) Number of Derivative 6) Date Exercisable and or Exercise action action Securities Acquired (A) Expiration Date Price of Date Code or Disposed of (D)
1) Title of Derivative
Security
                                   Derivative
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                                                                     Code V A
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Table II (PART 2) Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Columns 1,3 and 7 through 11)
                                                                                 8) Price 9) Number of 10) 11) Nature of of Deri- Derivative Indirect vative Securities D Beneficial

Amount or Security Beneficially or Ownership Owned at T
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1) Title of Derivative 3) Trans-7) Title and Amount
                                   action of Underlying
Date Securities
Security
                                              Title
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Explanation of Responses:

- - Total number of Common Shares directly owned includes shares acquired through participation in the Ball Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Total number of 401(k) Plan shares includes shares acquired through periodic dividend reinvestment and employer matching contributions.

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

For: David A. Westerlund

DATE 04/14/03