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Director

Ball Corporation

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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.

- Name and Address of Reporting Person(s) Bracken, Frank A. 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 4/15/2003
- 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 [X] Director [] 10% Owner
 [] Officer (give title below) [] Other (specify below)
 BOARD DIRECTOR
- 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

1)Title of Security		2)Trans- action Date (Month/		4.Securities or Disposed o	Acquired(A) f (D) A or	5)Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at	Indirect D Beneficial
		Day/Year)	Code V	Amount	* -		-
Common Stock Common Stock		04/15/03	A	6,000	A	582,704 12,440	
Table II (PART 1) Derivat				-		-	
1)Title of Derivative Security		e action Date	actic	cans- 5)Number of Derivative on Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6)Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	
	Security			V A			cisable Expiration
Table II (PART 2) Derivat 	3) Trans-	7)Title and Amou		Beneficially Amount o Number o	8)Price of Deri- vative r Security	9)Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially	10) 11)Nature of Indirect

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

For: Frank A. Bracken

DATE 04/15/03